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*Elysia	6368	J. A. Coverley	25th Feb.
Massilia	5091	J. Thomson	13th Mar.
Olympia	5124	J. Kinnaird	25th Mar.
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NOTICE.

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On arrival at the platform a ticket bearing a number will be issued to the occupant and one bearing a similar number will be affixed to the lamp of the carriage. On departure as carriages come up the numbers will be called and should owners not be present on the platform their carriages will be sent round.

1. Gentlemen attending the Garden Party on the 17th December, 1913, in motor cars are informed that they should have a licensed chauffeur with their cars as no cars will be permitted to remain in the grounds of Government House but will be parked with other carriages according to the numbers allotted to them.

3. Gentlemen attending the Garden Party at Government House, on the 17th Instant, in carriages or motor cars are desired to note that no carriages or motor cars will be permitted to overtake carriages or motor cars in front of them while passing down the lower drive, when the carriages are being parked or when the guests are leaving Government House after the Garden Party.

S. M. EDWARDES,
Commissioner of Police.
Bombay, 15th December, 1913.

THE BOMBAY ELECTRIC SUPPLY AND TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO TRAMWAY PASSENGERS.

OWING to the ALTERATIONS in the alignment of the Tramway Tracks at Bori Bunder now taking place the through running between Cruickshank Road and Hornby Road will be SUSPENDED, for a few days, from the 21st instant. It will therefore be necessary for passengers concerned to walk across the Junction to the connecting cars which will start from the Maidan Siding for Girgaum and Kalbadevi and from the Crossover near Bhatia Bagh, in Hornby Road, for Museum West and Sassoon Dock.

After this portion of the Junction is completed the through running between the Market and Elphinstone Circle will similarly be suspended while the alterations to these tracks are being undertaken. Through cars between Crawford Market and Rampart Row will also be suspended

C. N. MOBERLY,
Joint Managing Engineer.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.
In the matter of the Indian Companies Act VI of 1882
and
In the matter of the PIONEER ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, a company having its registered office at Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay.

PARTABCHAND GULABCHAND, of Bombay, Hindu Inhabitant, a jeweller, residing at Ridge Road, outside the Fort of Bombay ... ... Petitioner.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Petition for the winding up of the above-named Company by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay, was on the 15th day of December, 1913, presented to the Hon'ble Justice Sir Dinshaw D. Davar, by the Petitioner abovenamed a shareholder of the said Company and that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Hon'ble Justice Sir Dinshaw D. Davar on the 10th day of January, 1914 and any Creditor or Contributory of the said Company desirous to oppose the making of an order for the winding up of the said Company under the above Act should appear at the time of hearing by himself or his Counsel for the purpose and a copy of the Petition will be furnished to any Creditor or Contributory of the said Company requiring the same by the undersigned on payment of the regulated charges for the same.—Dated this 15th day of December, 1913.

PATELL AND EZEKIEL,
Attorneys for the Petitioner.

POSTAL NOTICE.

MODE OF ADDRESSING POSTAL ARTICLES FOR TROOPS ON DUTY AT THE DACCA CONCENTRATION IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY, 1914.

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Rank, Name,
Regiment, Battery, Staff appointment or Department, etc., Dacca Concentration.

Care should be taken to specify clearly in each case the regiment, battery, staff appointment or department of the addressee.

W. MAXWELL,
Director-General of Posts and Telegraphs.
Calcutta, the 5th December, 1913.

NOTICE.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

NOTICE is hereby given that owing to the great accumulation of Piece Goods in the Trustees' Warehouses the Port Trust is unable to undertake that accommodation will be available for goods that may be presented for warehousing.

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A. PANTON,
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VESSELS IN DOCK.—Dec. 16

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Vessels,	Tons.	Capts.	Dest.	Date.	Agents.
A Rinaldo	2794	Chilton	...H ll	21-12	J Finlay & Co
B City of Norwich		McMillan	...	11-17	Calcutta ...20-12... K N & Co
C&R Ockenfels	3542	Dandor	...Hamburg...	... 15-12...	W & A G & Co
D&E Scintao		2711	Forbes	...M M & Co	
F Norfolk		2526	Barkley	...Genoa ...20 12	W & A G & Co
G Mansu i		2942	Gore	...Jeddah ...17-12 ...	T M & Co
K Orangemoor		2576	Moffett	.....Antwerp ...	W & A G & Co
M Salsette		2301	Vine	...	P & O Co
N Sc Fidans		2307	Sutherland	Genoa ...22 12	O Nanji & Sons
O Dumra		762	Barbridge	... Shanghai	19-12 M M & Co
P Beaufels		3538	Ottman	...Karachi	10-12 W & A G & Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

1 Egypt ..4237 Summers...Shanghai...17-12 P & O Co
3 Imani .....2979 Lyons ...Genoa ...27-11... K N & Co
4 Persepolis ...2333 Bicher...Dunkirk...19-12 D N & Sons
6 Trentenfels...3329 Matzen...Hamburg 26-12 W & A G & Co
7 Nineve..2873 Mitzenheim ...Hamburg...23-12 W & A G & Co
8 Semiramis ....2553 Pavisich ...Trieste ... 11-12 A L S N Co
9 Trafford Hall ..3436 Mann .....K N & Co
10&11 Rosig ..3072 Galtzaki...Durov ...12-12 A S & Co
12&13 Persia ..4154 Bradshaw ...London..... 27-11... P & O Co
14 Lhasa.....951 Manley..... ... M M & Co
15 Indo-Maru ..3972 Komiga...Kobe...20-12... N Y Kaisha
16 Lawoe .....1817 Coates ...Jeddah 19-12 A S & Co

M W D D

Alfeld .....2479 Fisher ....T M & Co

H W P D

Ponani... ..512 Dawood ... . Bo S N Co
Kaveri .....53 Mahomed ..... Bo S N Co
Saberrati... ..524 Sumaoolla ..... Bo S N Co
Satrunjee...547 Hossein Repairing Bo S N Co

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessels.	Commanders.	From.
15	Garryvale ...	McClure ...	Karachi, Dec 13
16	Hardinge ...	Hamilton...	Mauritius, Dec 7
	Nera	Vallet ...	Noumea, Nov 8
	Semiramis ...	Pavisich ...	Trieste, Dec 1

DEPARTURES.

Dec.	Vessels	Commanders.	Destination.
16	Habsburg ..	Seba ich ...	Trieste
	Firenze	Merlo	Genoa

The following vessels obtained portclearances yesterday :—

Steamer Nera, Vallet, for Marseilles.
" Oudna, Pitlam, for Busreh, &c.
" Baron, Fairlie, Foley, for Calcutta, &c.

The following vessels began to load yesterday :—

Steamer Semiramis, for Trieste, &c.
" Scintao, for Antwerp, &c.

BOY WHO SAVED ELEVEN LIVES.

There were scenes of enthusiasm at the Haggerston road L.C.C. School when William Williamson, a 15 year old expupil, was presented by Mr. H. G. Chancellor, M.P., with the framed certificate of the Royal Humane Society. Williamson has saved no fewer than eleven persons from drowning in the Regent's Canal near his home. His last rescue was in July, when he dived into 11 feet of water and rescued a lad, subsequently applying artificial respiration and conveyed the boy to his home. Williamson was employed as a van boy, but it was his misfortune to be "ionised" too markedly to please his employers, who discharged him on account of lost time. He is now temporarily employed by Mr. H. G. Chancellor.

CORNS HAVE EARS, but these are perhaps the only ears in the east that have not heard a good report about SQUIBB'S AGUE SPECIFIC the renowned cure for Malaria, Influenza and all other fevers. From Mombasa, Edward St. Rose and Co., writes, "Your Squibb's Mixture seems to work like magic here, and is fast making a name in the coast districts." Of all Chemists.—MADON SONS and Co., Crawford Market, Bombay. Phone No. 706.

DAILY EXPORTS.—DEC. 16.

FOR LONDON.

Persia s—100 cwts cashewnuts, Volkar Bros; 40 cwts turmeric, 3 cwts Indian wax 4 cwts cardamoms, M A Kayum; 60 deer horns, H A Oomer and Son.

FOR HULL.

St. Fillans s—146 cwts castorseed, 900 cwts cottonseed, G Bhimji; 1,000 cwts cottonseed, T Toolsidas.

Athamas s—4,000 cwts cottonseed, K Devchand and Co.

FOR ANTWERP.

St Fillans s—200 cwts gum arabic, M Jafferbhoy.

Orrangemoor s—55 bales cotton, Volkart Bros; 2,000 cwts groundnuts, H Magan lal ;101 cwts gum arabic, Coovorji and Co; 600 cwts gum arabic, M Jaferbhoy.

FOR DUNKIRK.

Persepolis s—58 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 150 tons manganeseore, K Nixon and Co; 2,000 cwts linseed, Ralli Bros.

FOR PORT SAID for order.

Orrangemoor s—65,800 cwts cottonseed Ralli Bros.

Garryvale s—1980 cwts massoor 10,000 cwts linseed, 63,800 cwts cottonseed, Ralli Bros.

FOR HAMBURG.

Ockenfels s—55 bales cotton, N Rajaram and Co; 110 bales cotton, Volkart Bros; 1,294 cwts mowraseed, Ralli Bros; 250 cwts groundnutseed, G Bhimji; 40 cwts shellac, C Hummel; 250 cwts gum olibanum, M Jaferbhoy.

Braunfels s—743 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 55 bales cotton, S. H. Amar and Co; 1,500 cwts groundnuts oil cakes, R Jivandas and Co; 200 bales cottonfly, Soloman Bros; 1,000 cwts linseed, Ralli Bros.

FOR BREMEN.

Broundfels s—2,000 cwts gingillyseed, K Devchand and Co; 4,875 cwts gingillyseed, L Dreyfus and Co.

FOR GENOA.

Trafford Hall s—2,000 cwts rapeseed, K Devchand and Co ; 1,000 cwts rapeseed E D Sassoon and Co.

Imani s—50 bales cotton, M Amersey and Co ; 200 bales cotton, G Dosa and Co ; 100 cwts cashewnuts, M Jafferbhoy ; 62 cwts gum olibanum, J Dosa ; 500 tons old iron, K M Nathoo.

FOR TRIESTE.

Semiramis s—518 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 825 bales cotton, Volkart Bros.

FOR VENICE.

Semiramis s—800 bales cotton, Volkart Bros.

FOR MESTRE.

Semiramis s—100 bales cotton, Volkart Bros.

FOR KOBE.

Devanha s—1,000 bales cotton, N M K Kaisha ; 1,100 bales cotton, M B Kaisha.

Indo Maru s—100 bales cotton, N Rajaram and Co.

FOR YOKOHAMA.

Devanha s—300 bales cotton, M B Kaisha

Indo Maru s—500 bales cotton, Ralli Bros

FOR OSAKA.

Devanha s—400 bales cotton, M B Kaisha.

FOR HONGKONG.

Indo Maru s—300 bales cotton twist, D Sassoon and Co ; 1,500 cwts onions, R E Dadachanji and Co.

DAILY IMPORTS—DEC. 16.

Steamer Irravadi from Troon near Glasgow Agents K. Nixon and Co.—600 tons bunker-coal.

Steamer Semiramis from Trieste: Agents: A. L. S. N. Co.—70 bales cotton, 24 bales 1 case cotton yarn, 55 cases cotton tissues, 455 cases cotton goods, 3 cases linen goods, 7 cases silk goods, 2 bales silk cloth, 80 cases silk waste, 44 cases woollen goods, 3 cases Berlinwool, 18 casez woollen ware, 21 cases 14 bales wool yarn, 4 cases 4 parcels provisions, 4 cases beer, 1 case gum, 4 cases rosins, 124 soap, 33 cases colours, 4 cases cigarettes, 10 cases drugs, 37 cases chemicals, 431 cases glass plates, 24 cases 1 barrel 77 cases, lamps, 721 cales 30 cases paper, 1,479 cases 115 barrels nails, 251 bags almonds, 916 cases figs.

SUN, MOON AND TIDES AT BOMBAY.

The following are the hours and heights of the tides in Bombay Harbour during the ensuing week. Hours stated in Bombay Meantime ; Depth of water is at Prince's Dock sill.

HIGH WATER.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	Bombay Mean Time.		Depth on sill.	
	December	h.	m.	ft.	in.
Wed.....	17	m 1	40	29	3
		1	29 a	26	1
Thurs ...	18	m 2	21	28	10
		2	23 a	25	9
Fri	19	m 3	5	28	3
		3	24 a	25	4
Sat	20	m 3	53	21	7
		4	34 a	25	2
Sun.....	21	m 4	47	27	0
		5	54 a	25	4

LOW WATER.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	Bombay Mean Time.		Depth on sill.	
	December	h.	m.	ft.	in
Wed.....	17	m 7	42	19	5
		7	17 a	16	0
Thurs ...	18	m 8	28	19	4
		8	4 a	17	0
Fri	19	m 9	21	19	1
		8	57 a	18	3
Sat	20	m 10	28	18	9
		10	1 a	19	6
Sun	21	m 11	57	18	2
		11	27 a	20	6

The following are the hours of sunrise and sunset according to Indian Standard Time during the ensuing week :—

Dec.	Sunrise.	Sunset.
17 (Wednesday)	do 7h. 5m.	do 6h. 5m.
18 (Thursday)	do 7h. 5m.	do 6h. 5m.
19 (Friday)	do 7h. 6m.	do 6h. 5m.
20 (Saturday)	do 7h. 6m.	do 6h. 6m.
21 (Sunday)	do 7h. 7m.	do 6h. 6m.

PHASES OF THE MOON.—Full Moon, Dec. 13th, 8h. 30 3m. p.m ; Last Quarter, 20th, 9h. 45-6m. p.m. ; New Moon, 27th, 8h. 28-7m. p.m.

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

11-30 a. m. Bombay Legislative Council.
Garden Party at Malabar Point.
Olympia Picture Palace, Sandhurst-road. Excelsior Cinematograph, at 6-30, 8-30, and 10 p. m.
America-India Cinematograph, Charni-road.

RAILWAY TIME-TABLE.

[In force from 1st September, 1913.]

The following are the hours of arrival and departure of the principal Mail and Express trains at and from Victoria Terminus and Colaba daily. Standard time is given in all cases :—

G. I. P. Railway.

	Arr.	Dep.
Punjab Mail	12-35	17-15
Calcutta Mail (via Jabulpur)	13-20	21-0
Calcutta Mail (via Nagpur)	8-45	13-30
Madras Mail	6-0	21-30
Poona Mail	11-10	14 45
Delhi Express (3rd and inter. class)... ...	6-40	7-30
Poona Express ...	19-35	8-0
Manmad Express ...	11-30	14-25
Postal Express for Punjab.		*
do. do. for Calcutta.		*
do. do. for Madras ..		*

* Four hours after Mail steamer is called on Fridays only.

B. B. & C. I. Railway.

[In force from 1st December 1913.]

	Arr.	Dep.
Northern Express ...	8-50	21-0
Gujarat Mail	7-55	21-10
Third class Kathiawar Express & Delhi Fast Passenger 1st, 2nd and 3rd ...	6-55	21-45

BAND AT THE ESPLANADE.—By kind permission of Lt.-Col. J. A. Smith and officers, the Band of the 2nd Q. V. O. Rajput L. infantry will play the following programme of music, under the direction of Mr. A.W. Mollfiglioni, bandmaster, commencing at 6-45 p.m. to-day :—

March .....H. M. S. Pamperdown....Peoole
Overture ...Siege of Rochelle ..... Balfe
Valse .....Innamorata ..... Fare
Selection...The Belle of New York Kerker
Dance .....Graceful ..... Vanderveli
Song .....Don't forget me... ... ... Pisani
Serenade ...La Paloma (by request).Yradier
Polka .....Jam-Tam-Tam... ..... Protero

MUSIC AT THE BOMBAY GYMKHANA.—By kind permission of Lt-Col. T. W. Bonner, V. D., and officers, the band of the 1st Batln, G. I. P. Ry. Volunteers, will play the following programme of music, under the direction of Mr. Hugh B. Mitchell, bandmaster, commencing at 6 p.m. to-day :—

March ....Entry of the Gladiators .... J. Fue
Overture... ...Post and Pendant... Sippo
Valse ... ...Nights of Guiness...A Gilb
Selection ...Patsetina...by the H.G. Volasie r song (Chinese solo) .....Little grey home in the West .....Lohr
Selection ...Veronique .....M eaxer
Patrol.....The Turkish ..... Michaelis

BOMBAY MEDICAL UNION.—A meeting of the members of the medical profession, will be held in the Union Rooms on Thursday next, the 18th December, 1913, at 4 p.m. (S.T.), when Dr. R. C. Muthu, M.D., M.R.C.S., Physician, Mendip Hills Sanatorium, Wells, Somerset, will give his experiences of the Sanatorium Treatment of pulmonary tuberculosis.

A GRUESOME FIND.—The body of a newly born female child was found tied in a bundle lying in a sweeper's gully in Samuel-street, by a Municipal sweeper. The police removed the body to the morgue, where an inquest was held. The evidence of the police suurge n showed that there were abrasions and marks of strangulation on the neck. The jury returned an open verdict.

ARRIVAL OF THE R.I.M.S. "HARDINGE."

The Royal Indian Marine steamer "Hardinge," Commander A. Hamilton, arrived in harbour yesterday morning from Mauritius, which port she left on the 7th instant, with the 2nd Battalion, Hampshire Regiment, consisting of 24 officers, 8 ladies, and 2 children, 3 warrant officers, 3 women, and 5 children, 752 non-commissioned officers and men, 28 women and 31 children.

The following are the names of the officers :—Lieut.-Col. Carington Smith and wife, Major E. Leigh, Major J. H. Deane and wife, Major A. Backwith, wife and child, Captain A. C. Addison, Captain J. C. F. Richards, Captain B. S. Parker and wife, Captain and Adjt. G. K. Reid, Captain J. L. Lockhart, Lieut. P. Gaskell, Lieut. E A. Comer, Lieut. C. L. Boxall, Lieut. R. Spencer Smith and wife, Lieut. G. A. Rasser, Lieut. L. R. Smith, Lieut. S. K. Halls, Lieut. T. M. C. Lloyd, Lieut. N. E. Copel, Lieut. K. A. Johnston. Lieut. G. T. Webb, Lieut. F. A. Silk, Lieut. J. White, Lieut. Smith, wife and child, Lieut.-Col. Monies and wife, R.A.M.C., Miss Woods.

DEPARTURES.

PER S.S. "NERA," TODAY.

The following passengers will proceed to Marseilles by the Messageries Maritimes Co's. steamer "Nera," to-day, from the stream. The medical inspection of the saloon passengers will take place at Ballard Pier, at 9-45 a.m. sharp. Native servants and ayahs and all deck passengers must be at the Infection Shed, near Prince's Dock, at 7-30 a.m., with all their kits.

MARSEILLES.

Borde, Mrs and 4 daughters
Moncassin, Mr E
Faivre, Mr
Nosmas, Mr and Mrs & six children
Donarvile, Mr and Mrs and Miss
Cangiry, Mr
Dubois, Mr and Mrs
Favier, Mr and Mrs & 2 children
Dubois, Mr
Paoli, Mr and Mrs
Durand, Mr
Bonneau, Mr
Matcho, Mr and Mrs & 2 children
Duval, Mr
Passerdiere, Mr J de la
Pinuroh, Mr P
Murray, Mrs H C
Turpin, Mr
Cugois, Mr and Mrs and 5 children
Ali, Mr
Speed, Rifleman B
Hannah, Mrs E E
Green, Miss
Huggonnett, Miss A
Spinola, Mr A H M de
Shumiller, Mr Charles
Bennets, Mr
Brown, Mr J F
Anderson, Mr John
Lundgran, Mr John
Johnson, Mr W
Graham, Mr Alex
MacLachlan, Mr Donald
MacFarlane, Mr L
Wilson, Mr Henry
Cranshaw, Mr Thomas
Peres, Mr J

PORTSAID.

Polites, Mr
Smith, Mr John

ADEN.—Lees, Mr W

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

BOMBAY HIGH COURT.

A COTTON TRANSACTION.

Messrs. Weld and Co. filed a suit against Girdharilal Narayandas for the recovery of a sum due as balance on a cotton transaction. The suit was called for hearing yesterday, before Mr. Justice Beaman.

Mr. Jardine, instructed by Messrs. Little and Co., appeared for the plaintiffs ; but the defendant did not appear, although he had put in a written statement.

On the plaintiffs case being proved, the Court passed a decree for Rs. 16,933 with interest and costs.

DISPUTE ABOUT CHARITIES.

A suit relating to the disposal of charitable bequests filed by Hirabai, widow of Jiwanji Edulji Commissariat, against the executors of her husband's estate, Burjorji Framji Commissariat and others, came up for hearing before Mr. Justice Macleod, yesterday.

Mr. J. K. R. Bomanji, with Mr. Mulla, instructed by Messrs. Dubash and Co., appeared for the plaintiff. Mr. Moos with Mr. Makanji Mehta, instructed by Messrs. Madhowji Kamdar and Co., represented the first defendant, while the second and third defendants, who were residuary legatees, were represented by Mr. B. J. Wadia with Mr. Mody, instructed by Messrs. Mansukhlal Jamshedji and Hiralal.

The suit related to the disposal of two amounts of Rs. 10,000 and Rs. 5,000 which were set apart by the deceased Jiwanji for charitable purposes. On the case being called up, the parties came to an agreement by which a sum of Rs. 10,000 was to be paid to the Bomanji Dinsha Petit Parsee General Hospital Endowment Fund and Rs. 5,000 to the J. N. Petit Orphanage.

Judgment was entered accordingly.

A PROFESSIONAL THIEF.

At the High Court, yesterday, before Mr. Justice Heaton and Mr. Justice Shah, a petition filed by a native Christian convict named John Lewis *alias* George Lewis (20), for the revision of a sentence passed on him came up for hearing.

The facts of the case were that Nowroji Maneckji, guard of a passenger train from Lonavla to Poona, found that during his temporary absence from his van, somebody had entered it and broken open his trunk. On the trunk being examined five silver links, a watch and some clothes were missed. The police were informed and they arrested the accused. The police later on found the silver links pledged with a Marwari by the accused for Rs 7-8.

Lewis was subsequently placed before Mr. H. L Cross, City Magistrate of Poona, on a charge of theft, and having pleaded guilty, was committed to the Sessions for trial Mr. Fawcett, Sessions Judge of Poona, tried him with the help of assessors, when the accused pleaded not guilty and said that he was forced by the police to confess in the lower court. He stated that the coat which was found on him was his own property.

On conviction, the judge in passing sentence, observed that though the stolen property was not valuable, the accused had shown the hand of a professional thief and as he had four previous convictions, a sentence of five years' rigorous imprisonment was imposed.

Their lordships, after a perusal of the proceedings, rejected the petition.

SHORT CAUSES.

At the High Court, yesterday, Mr. Justice Beaman disposed of the following short causes.

CLAIM FOR COMMISSION.

Roopchand Rangildas sued Haji Hooseinkhan Mahomedkhan Sodagar, for the recovery of Rs. 3,902. the sum due.

Mr. R. D. N. Wadia appeared for the plaintiffs.

Balchand Ramdas, a partner in the plaintiff firm, stated that the firm acted as shroffs and commission agents for the defendants in Bombay and consigned piecegoods to them. Accounts were made up to November 3, 1910. Statements of accounts due to the plaintiffs were sent to the defendants and Rs. 1,700 were received on account. They now claimed Rs. 2,366.

His lordship passed a decree for that amount.

A JAGIRDAR SUED.

Raja Bahadur Motilal Shivlal sued Jivandas Gokuldas for the recovery of the sum of Rs. 50,000, advanced to him.

Mr. Raikes appeared for the plaintiff.

It was stated on behalf of the plaintiff that he advanced the money on September 21, 1913 The defendant was a shroff and jagirdar at Jabalpore.

His lordship found for the plaintiff.

CLAIM FOR RENT.

Haji Alimahomed Haji Cassum sued Miya Mahomed Ahmed for the recovery of Rs. 2,340, being arrears of rent.

Mr. Shortt appeared for the plaintiff, while the defendant was absent.

The facts of the case were that the plaintiff had hired some prows to the defendant on lease for four years. The rent was Rs. 180 a month which was paid up to November 1910. When the lease expired it was extended for two years at the same rent. The plaintiff therefore prayed for a decree for the arrears of rent for thirteen months.

his lordship passed a decree as prayed.

A MORTGAGE SUIT.

Vali Mahomed Deuji sued Abdul Rehaman Bin Moulvi Abdul Kader Jitayker for the recovery of Rs. 1,40,000.

Mr. Raikes, instructed by Messrs. Payne and Co., appeared for the plaintiff.

Counsel stated that the suit was for redemption of a mortgage. On September 29, 1910 the plaintiff advanced the sum on a mortgage of three properties and the defendant agreed to pay compound interest at annas 10 per month per cent. On June 29, 1911 the plaintiff advanced a further sum of Rs. 10,000 and on July 24, 1912 a further sum of Rs. 10,000 at the same interest.

His lordship, after recording the evidence of the plaintiff, passed the usual mortgage decree.

POLICE COURTS.

CONTRABAND LIQUOR.

At the Mazagon Police Court yesterday, before Mr. G. R. Khairaz, Fourth Presidency Magistrate, Excise Inspector C. Phillips charged two persons named Lalchand Asram and Parasram Harilal with the illicit sale of liquor during the Mohurram holidays. The accused were arrested on the 7th instant in a room in Kamatipura, and seven and a half bottles of liquor were seized with them.

The Magistrate fined the accused Rs. 75 each, and ordered them, in default, to undergo one month's rigorous imprisonment.

HUSBAND'S ALLEGED CRUELTY.

A Hindu, named Sadu Govind, was charged by Inspector Cautty before Mr. Khairaz, with causing grievous hurt to his wife Saloobai, by biting of the tip off her nose.

Mr. F. W. Pereira, pleader, appeared for the accused.

It was alleged for the prosecution that the accused had two wives, the complainant Saloobai and Luxmibai, and they lived in a hut at Byculla. The accused saw the two women in a tea-shop and scolded them for going there, and then charged Saloobai with improper intimacy with another man, who was with them in the shop. They then returned home and went to bed at about 8 o'clock. At about midnight Saloobai was awakened by the cries of her child, and saw her husband standing over her with a knife in his hand. She snatched the knife from his hand. It is alleged that the accused then rushed at her and bit off her nose, after which he ran away. Meeting a policeman at Jacob Circle, the accused surrendered himself and pointed out the spot where he had thrown the knife.

The accused was committed for trial.

BENGALI BOY'S ADVENTURES.

At the Esplanade Police Court yesterday, before Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Pravash Chandra Mukerjee, a Bengali school boy, was charged with theft of currency notes, cash, a pair of gold rings and some clothes, valued at Rs. 150. The articles were the property of Sirazul Huq, a tram conductor living at Colaba.

The evidence showed that the accused, with another boy, came to Bombay in November last and they, having exhausted their money sought the assistance of the complainant, who took them to his room in the Tramway Company's chawl at Colaba. Two days later, when the complainant returned from duty, he missed the boys and discovered also that ten currency notes of Rs. 10 each, Rs. 7 in cash, two gold rings and some other articles had disappeared. He was informed that the boys had been seen going to the railway station. The accused was arrested at Delhi, but the second lad is still at large.

The accused said that his companion, another Bangali named Sen, asked him to accompany him to the railway station. When they got there Sen told him that he had taken Rs. 7 and two gold rings from the complainant's room and that he was going. He asked Mukerjee to accompany him otherwise the police might arrest him. So they proceeded to Baroda and then to Jeypore From Jeypore Mukerjee went to Delhi and Sen to Calcutta.

The magistrate said that it was not proved that the accused had anything to do with the theft. The only evidence was that he had accompanied the other two boys, either of whom might have been the real culprit. And the accused said that he went to the railway station at the request of the others and there one of them confessed to him that the property had been taken by him and asked him to go with them. His worship observed that the accused was a boy and he might have gone away with the others being frightened at being told that he might be arrested. As the evidence did not show that he was concerned with the theft the magistrate ordered the accused to be discharged.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEERS.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

Regimental Orders By The Hon. Colonel R. W. L. Dunlop, C. I. E., V. D , Commanding.

Bombay, 17th December, 1913.

1382. Parade—To-day Wednesday the 17th instant.—Commanding Officer's Parade Fall in at Sir Richard Temple's Statue at 6 p.m.

Dress—Drill Order, Uniform, Shirts with Caps.

Subject.—Fire Discipline and Control.

1383. Proficiency Class.—A Proficiency Class will be held on Monday the 5th January 1914 at 7 p. m. at Head-Quarters, Council Road.

1384. Camp of Instruction.—It is notified for information that the Annual Training Camp will be held at Santa Cruz, from 31st January to 7th February, 1914.

1385. Musketry.—The Range at Ghat Kopar is allotted for Class Firing as follows :—Members firing parts I and II must bring their bayonets.

"D" Coy on 18th instant.
"F" Coy on 21st instant.

(Sd.) F. R. JAMES, Capt.
Adjutant, B.V.R.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

Squadron Orders by Lieut.-Col. Sir Henry Procter, A.D.C., Commanding.

Bombay, 17th December, 1913.

1. Riding School for Recruits and members of the Corps daily from 7-30 a.m.
Dress—Mufti.

2. There will be a Commanding Officer's Parade to-day Wednesday the 17th instant.
Rendezvous Church Gate Station at 7-30 a.m. punctually.
Dress—Drill Order, Khaki, with arms.

3. The Range at Santa Cruz is allotted to "C" Troop for Class Firing this week end. Train leaves Church Gate Station on Saturday afternoon at 3-10 p. m., and Sunday morning at 7-5 a.m.

(Signed) D. W. WILSON, Lieut.,
Actg. Adjutant, Bombay Light Horse.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

Regimental Orders by Lieut.-Col the Hon. A. Hill Trevor Commanding.

Bombay, 16th December, 1913.

332 Parade.—Wednesday 17th instant, Squad Drill and Rifle; Exercises at 7 p.m. at Head Quarters under Section Commanders.
Dress—Plain Clothes.

333 Parade—Saturday 20th instant, Nos. 1 & 2 Companies Gun drill and Instruction in D. R. F. at Colaba North Battery.
Parade at Colaba Station at 5-5 p.m.
Cyclists will proceed direct to Battery.
Dress.—Khaki and Caps.

334 Musketry.—The Range at Ghat Kopar is allotted to the Corps on Sunday next the 21st inst. for Class Firing; It is hoped that as many Members as possible will turn out and Complete their Class Firing.
Spare Rifles will be issued on the Range.
1st Train leaves as under.—
Colaba at 5-55 a.m.
Victoria Terminus at 9-10 a.m.
Members may leave Bombay by any train provided they arrive at Ghat Kopar by 10-30 a.m.

(Sd.). E. P. CUDLIP, Capt in, R.A.,
Adjutant, B. V. A.

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MARKET REPORT.

REUTER'S COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, Dec. 15. BOMBAY, Dec. 16.

FINANCIAL.

	Rates.	Plus.	Minus.
2 1-2 per cent. Consols	71 13-16		1-16
3 do. Rentes	85 3-4		1-4
3 1-2 do. Sterling Loan	85 3-4		1-4
do. do. Gov. Securities ...	83 7-8		1-16
Bar Silver in London Spot	26 5-8		3-16
do. 2 months' hence ...	26 11-16		3-16
Bar Silver in New York	57 5-8		1-8
Exchange on London at Paris ...	25.32	un	chgd
do, do, at Berlin	20.48		91
do. do, New York	4.85 1-4	un	chgd
Discount Bank of England Rate ...	5	since	
do Short London Bills	2nd Oct.		
2 months' sight ...	4 3-16	un	chgd
do. Indian Bank Bills 6 months' sight ...	4 7-16	un	chgd
do. 3 months' Fine Trade Bills ...	5 1-4		1-8
do. 6 months' Fine Trade Bills ...	5 1-4		1-8
Interest day-to-day Loans. ...	4 3-8	un	chgd
do 7 day Market Loans ...	4 1-2	1-8	

Bar Gold ...77'9 unchgd.

Exchange on India 32 days' sight (Bank buying rate) 1s. 3 7-8 unchanged.

Closing tone of silver—Steady with small buyers.

Amount paid into the Bank of England about £ 200,000.

COTTON.

LIVERPOOL.—

Spot ... Fair demand. Easier.
Futures ... Easy.
Manchester ... Dull with a limited enquiry.
Total Sales ... 8,000
Sold on Speculation and for Export ... 500
Imports ... 13,000
Mid-Americans ...7·22—11
Egyptian F. G. F. Brown ...10·00—05

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES.—

Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.
6·85 —14	6·84 —15	6·85 —15
Mar.-Apl.	Apl.-May.	May-June
6 81 —15	6 86 —14	6 85 —14
June-July	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.	Sept.-Oct.
6·82 —14	6 79 —14	6·66 —12	6·44 —12

NEW YORK.—

New York 11 a.m., Mar. 12·69 May 12·68.

New York official noon call March 12·73 May 12·70.

New Orleans 10 a.m. Mar. 13·02 May 13·09.

	Bales.
Days' Receipts at U.S. Ports. ...	46,000
Receipts at U. S. last year...	68,000
Exports to Great Britain ...	21,000
Exports to Continent ...	14,000
Spot Cotton ...	13'00—25

Futures—Month of March 12·66—22

Futures—Month of May 12·63—21

Declined owing to unfavorable cables and to longs unloading.

NEW ORLEANS.—

Spot cotton ...13—1-8
Futures month of March ...12·90—27
Futures month of May ...12·97—27
Tone of Spot Cotton ...Quiet.

NEILL BROTHERS REPORT.—

"Our Circular is bullish would rather raise than lower our estimate of consumption."

Washington, Dec. 15.

The U. States Census Bureau reports the supply at 12,902,000 bales.

WHEAT.

Wheat White Delhi ... .
Wheat White Karachi ...37—1-8
Do. Months ...Dec.-Jan.
Do. Name of Ports—London—Buyers.
Wheat Red Karachi ...Nominal.
Do. Months ... .
Do. Name of Ports— .....
Tone—Dull.

Wheat afloat for U. K. ... 1,560,000

SOUTH AMERICAN WHEAT.

Rosario Santa Fe ... Unchanged
Barletta Russo ... Do.

AUSTRALIAN WHEAT.

South Australian ... Unchanged
Victorian ... do
New South Wales ... do

SEEDS.

RAPESEED.—

Yellow Cawnpore per 416 lbs., 85 p.c. ex-ship ... 53 unchgd
Do. Months— ...Dec.-Jan.
Do. Name of Ports— ...Antwerp—Sellers.
Yellow Gujarat, per 416 lbs, 85 p. c. ex-ship ...Nominal.
Do. Months ... ...
Do. Name of Ports ... ...
Brown Cawnpore 48 1-2unchgd
Do. Months— ...Dec.-Jan.
Do. Name of Port—Antwerp—Sellers.
Tone—Firmer.

LINSEED.—

Bombay per 416 lbs ex-ship ...48 1-4unchgd
Do. Months— ...Jan.-Feb.
Do. Name of Ports—Dunkirk—Done.
Tone—Firmer.
Linseed Calcutta 47 3-4 1-2 3
Do. Months ...Dec.-Jan.
Do. Name of Ports—London—Done and sellers.
Tone—Firm.
Linseed Argentine—La Plata 44 7-8 1-8
Do. Months— ...Jan.-Feb.
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp—Sellers—Firmer.

COTTONSEED.—

Bombay Cottonseed Market ... £6-13-3—0-0-3 Jan.-Feb.—Half—Done—Easier.

MISCELLANEOUS.

COFFEE.—

In New York Fair Rio 5-8
Coffee (No. 7 quality) ...9 unchgd

RUBBER.—

Para Rubber ...3 0 1-4 unchgd
Dec.-Jan.—Sellers.—Quiet but steady.

METALS.—

Standard Copper G M B ...£65 3 8 unchgd
Copper Braziers ...£81 1-4 unchgd.
Yellow Metal ...7d unchgd

FREIGHTS.—

Calls :—Cardiff to Bombay—12s—Value.

ARRIVALS.—

"Gryfevale" "City of Bombay"

SKINS.

Sheep skin sale closed to-day quickly with a fair demand.
Sheep skins sold 66000.
Sheep skins Madras Prime
Sheep skins Madras medium per 20 lbs higher.
Sheep skins Madras ordinary 1 to 2½ lower.
Sheep skins Bombay half a penny lower.

SUGAR.—

German granulated sugar
C & F India double bags...12 6 unchgd
Do. Months of Shipments ...Jan.-Mar.—Sellers.

Tone—Barely steady.
Hungarian Crystal Sugar
C & F India ...11 3 1-4—3-4d.
Do. Months of Shipments ...Jan.-Mar.—Sellers.

Tone—Nothing doing.
German Beet-root 88 p.c. ...9 —1-2d.
Months of Shipments ...Dec.—Sellers.
9 5—3-4d. May—Sellers.
Tone—Opened dull. Closed steady.
E A S & Similar Crystals
C & F India ...13 2 1-4—unchgd
Months of Shipments ...Jan.-Mar.—Sellers.
Tone—Quiet—Unchanged.
Mauritius Crystal C and F
Calcutta ...11 0 3-4—3-1d.
C and F Bombay ...9 0 3-4d.
Month of Shipments—Dec.—Value—Quiet.

JAVA SUGAR.

Raw Java Nos. 16 × 18 C and F Calcutta—
Do. 11 3—Jan.-Mar.—Value.
Raw Java C and F Bombay and Karachi—
Do. 11 4 1-2—Jan.-Mar.—Value.
Fine White Java C & F Calcutta—
Do. 12 3—Jan.-Mar.—Value.
Fine White Java C & F Bombay & Karachi—
Do. 12 4 1-2—Jan.-Mar.—Value.
Tone—Market remains idle.

BOMBAY MARKETS.

TUESDAY EVENING.] Dec. 16th 1913.

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

Packages.	Value.	From	Importers
	Rs.		
2 Cases Sovns	120000	Jeddah	Comptoir National
18 Bundles Rupees	36000	Behrein	National Bank
4 Bundles Rupees	8000	Koweit	do
11 Bundles Rupees	22000	Linga	do
40 Boxes Rupees	160000	Mahomerah	Hongkong Bank

EXPORT OF BAR SILVER FROM BOMBAY BY RAIL on 13th & 14th Dec. 1913.

By	Bars.	Ounces.
G. I. P. Railway ...	47	53,815
B. B. and C. I. Ry ...	55	64,491

FINANCIAL.

MONEY :—

Bank of Ben. rate since 13th Nov.	7
Bank of Bom. „ „ 31st Oct.	5
Bank of Mad. „ „ 1st Oct	6

The cash balances of the Bank of Madras is 6 3-4 lakhs up, and the Bank rate is unchanged.

EXCHANGE :—

The market opened quiet and rates were unchanged. There is still little business doing on either side of the account.

We quote—

T T on London Ready	...1s 4 1-16d
Demand draft Mail	...1s 4 3-32d
Credit 3 months sight	...1s 4 3-8d
Do Forward	...1s 4 5-16d Mar.
Do France Ready	171 3-4
Do Marks „	...139 3-4
Hongkong 60 day's sight	...142 1-2
Shanghai „	...192 1-4
Japan „	...147 3-4

GOVERNMENT PAPER :—

The market opened at 95 3-4 for Cash and 95 11-16 for the Settlement and has improved a little during the day, closing as under. A moderate business has been done.

We quote—

Cash	...Rs. 95 12 0 to 95 13 0
Settlement	...Rs. 95 12 0

BULLION :—

Bar Silver in London was 3-16 down at 26 5-8 for ready and 26 11-16 for forward. New York was 3-8 lower at 57 5-8. The local market opened steady at 67 13-16 for the first settlement and close 5-16 higher as under. A fair business is reported.

We quote :—

English Bar Gold	...	Rs. 24 0 6
Australian Gold	...	„ 24 0 0
Sovereigns Gold	...	„ 18 0 0
Silver (ex duty) Ready	...	„ 68 8 0
1st Settlement	...	„ 68 2 0
2nd Settlement	...	„ 67 9 0
Silver (cum duty) Ready	...	„ 77 14 0
1st Settlement	...	„ 77 8 0
2nd Settlement	...	„ 76 15 0

COTTON.

MARKET REPORT :—

The following are the latest telegrams to hand :—

WELD AND Co :—"Heavy general selling both Liverpool and New York. New York market closed steady on some short covering."

GRUNING AND Co :—Disappointed bulls selling out owing to entire absence of speculation. Prevailing opinion is that chances are in favour of further decline.

The decline in the home markets continues and the local markets is correspondingly easier. Good opened at Rs. 303-4, and Khamgaon Akola January at Rs. 265, exporters being sellers at the latter rate. During the day there has been a moderate enquiry for Oomras and Khandesh. At the close good Broach is quoted Rs. 307. Bengals have also firmed up, but other rates are almost unchanged as under.

For ready cotton there has been a moderate demand by shippers and mills.

QUOTATIONS:—

NEW CROP.

		Rs.	
Fine M. G. Broach	...	318	Mar.
Good do do	...	307	„
Fine M. G. Wardha Hingangnat ...	...	289	Jan.
Fine M. G. Nagpur	...	285	„
„ „ Yeotmal	...	278	„
„ „ Dhamangaon P.	...	273	„
„ „ Khamgaon Akola	...	264	„
„ „ Amraoti	...	257	„
„ „ Khandeish	...	243	„
F. G. „ Khandeish	...	233	„
Fine „ Muthia	...	241	„
„ „ Bengal	...	227	Dec.
„ „ do	...	229	Jan.
F. G. Bengal	...	224	„

LIVERPOOL OPENER —

Opening Tone	...Dull.
Estimated Sales	... 10,000
Total Imports	... 30,000

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES :—

Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.
6·84 —01	6·83 —02	6 84 —01
March-April	April-May	May-June
6 85 —01	6·15 —01	6 84 —01
June-July	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.
6·81 —01	6·78 —01	6·6 —01

SEEDS AND WHEAT.

LINSEED :—

The market is steady. We quote :—

Ready	...	Rs 7 15 0 B. T.
December	...	„ 8 7 6 R. T.
Apl-May	...	„ 9 ...

RAPESEED :—

The market is quiet but steady. We quote :—

Brown Delhi May	Rs. 8 15	6 R.T.
Brown Cawnpore	„ 7 12	0 B.T.
Yellow Cawnpore	„ 9 0	6 „

GINGELLYSEED :—

Tone—Quiet but steady. We quote :—

Bold White 85p.c. Rs.	8 8	0
Black Kutni ...Rs.	8 8	0
Y. Hingunghat ...Rs.	6 1 8	0 F.

POPPYSEED :—

Tone—Quiet. We quote :—

Ready	... Rs.	10 12 0 B.T.

CASTORSEED :—

Tone—Steady. We quote :—

Ready	... Rs.	34 8 0

COTTONSEED :—

Tone—Quiet. We quote :—

Ready	... Rs.	24 8 0

GROUNDNUTS :—

Tone—Steady. We quote :—

New Crop Bold	... Rs.	48 8 0
„ Small	Rs.	47 8 0

MOWRASEED—

Tone—Quiet. We quote :—

Ready	... Rs.	8 6 0 B.T.

WHEAT :—

The market is Quiet. We quote:—

White Pissi delivery ready	Rs.	5 7 0 R.T.
White Delhi May 1914		5 12 6 B.T.

SHARES.

BANKS.

Bank of Bombay	...	1,575
Bank of India	...	60
Eastern Bank	...	73
Bank of Baroda	...	

MILLS.

David	...	435
Finlay	...	300
Kohinoor	...	697 1-2
Manockji Petit	...	1,975
New Great Eastern	...	2 2 1-2
Standard	...	1,045

PRESSES.

Indian Cotton	...	131 1-4
New Mofussil	...	765

MISCELLANEOUS.

Bombay E. S. & T. C. Ord	...	500
Bombay E. S. & T. C. Pre	...	170
Bombay S N Ord	...	225
Colaba Land and Mill	...	1,350
Shivaji Mill Syndicate	...	20 1-2

RAILWAY.

Tapti Valley	...	580

TWO DAY'S RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of produce into Bombay, for 48 hours ending at 6 p.m. on yesterday :—

Cotton	...	15,081 bales.
Wheat	...	4,669 cwts.
Linseed	...	3,230 „
Rapeseed	...	384 „
Gingellyseed	...	22,190 „
Poppyseed	...	10 „
Groundnuts	...	10,974 „
Castorseed	...	3,263 „
Rice	...	3,910 „
Myrabolams	...	1,069 „
Cottonseed	...	36 392 „
Mowrasseed	...	2,809 „
Gram	...	2,879 „
Jowar	...	2,692 „
Maize	...	195 „
Barley	...	351 „

GRIFFITHS' COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.

	Bales.
Day's Receipts at U. S. Ports.	45,000
Exports to Great Britain ...	20,000 „
Exports to Continent ...	14,000 „
Spot Cotton at New York ...	13
Future Cotton at New York March ...	12·66—22
Future Cotton at New York May ...	12·63—21
Spot closing tone ...	Quiet
Futures closing tone ...	do

General Tone market opened :—Lower and declined on heavy selling, bear pressure and liquidation.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 15.

Spot Cotton at New Orleans	13
Future Cotton at New Orleans—March ...	12·90—27
Future Cotton at New Orleans—May ...	12·97—27
Futures closing tone.— ...	Quiet

Washington, Dec. 15.

The Census Bureau gives the supply of cotton at 12,902,000 bales.

Messrs. Neills Bros. circular is bullish—Would raise consumption above estimate.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 15.

COTTON.

The Liverpool market opened for spot.—Steady and closed quiet

The Liverpool market closed for futures—Quiet.

The Liverpool market closed for East Indians. Quiet.

Total Day's Sales ...	...	.....
Sales on Spec and export	...	.....
Total Sales of Surats	...	.....
Total Day's Imports	...	.....
Coconada Fair Red—Ldn. C. I. F.	...	5 3-4
Coconada Glazed—London C. I. F.	...	.....
Egyptian F. G. Fair Brown ...		10·05
Good Bhownuggur	...	6 3-16d.
Good Bengal	...	5 9-16d.
F. G. Benzal	...	5 11-16d
Fine Bengal	...	5 13-16d.
Good Madras Westerns Ldn ...		5 11-16
F. G. F. Tinnevelly L'pool C. I. F.	...	6 5-16d.
Geo. Mayalls Yarns	...	11 1-8
40's Mule Twist (Bannermills)		11 1-2
Weft 54 American	...	12 1-2
Weft 80 Egyptian	...	18 3-8
Weft 32's	...	12 1-8
Twist 36	...	10 3-4
Twist 42	...	11 3-4
Twist American 60 ...	...	16 5-8
Twist Egyptian 60 ...	...	17 3-4
Twist Egyptian 80 ...	...	21 5 8
Tone of Fine Yarns—	...	Steady
Tone of Coarse Yarns—		do
General Tone of Yarn Market—		do
Mid American at Liverpool ..		7·22—11

Cotton delivery mid uplands G. O. C. Liverpool, minus

Dec.-Jan.	...	...	6·85 4
Jan.-Feb.	...	...	6·84 5
Feb.-March	...	...	6·85
Mar.-April	...	...	6·85 15
April-May	...	...	6·86 16
May-June	...	...	6·85 16
June-July	...	...	6·82 16
July-August	...	...	6·77 15
Aug.-Sep.	...	...	6·65 12

Manchester, Dec. 15.

Manchester Piece Goods Market :—Quiet.—and easier

LONDON, Dec. 15.

SEEDS.

Linseed, 4 p. c. Refraction, Landed Terms (per 410 lbs). Dec-Jan—London— 47 3 Sellers

Linseed, Bombay exship (per 416 lbs) ...Dec.-Jan.—Antwerp—48 0 „

Linseed, La Plata ...Dec.-Jan. Hamburg—44 6 „

Linseed, Tone of Market at Close—Quiet
Linseed Tendency of the Market— do
Linseed Oil Spot Pipes... Dec. £25-10-0
Linseed Oil Spot Pipes...Feb.-Mar. £25-10-0
Linseed Tone of Market at Close—steady
Linseed Total afloat for U. K. .....
Linseed River Plate exports... .....

Poppyseed. Canal... Dec.-Jan. Dunkirk—63 Sellers

Poppyseed Tone of Market at Close— Steady

Rapeseed. Calcutta Brown Canal. Dec.-Jan—Antwerp—48 6 „

Rapeseed. Yellow Cawnpore per 416 lbs 85 p. c. exship Dec-Jan.—Antwerp— 53

Rapeseed. Yellow Guzerat per 416 lbs 85 p. c. exship Dec.-Jan.—Antwerp— Nominal

Rapeseed. Ferozepore usual bold ... ...
Do. Jamba Red ... ...

Rapeseed. Tone of Market at Close— Steady

Cotton Seed Bombay Parcels Dec-Jan.—Hull—£6-14-0

Cotton Tone of Market at Close— Steady

LONDON, Dec. 15.

WHEAT.

Wheat. Choice white Karachi Dec.-Jan.—London...37

Do. F A Q fixed Karachi (per 492 lbs.) ...Dec.-Jan.—London... Nominal

Do. Club No. 2 Dec-Jan—London ... „

Do. Choice white Delhi Dec.-Jan—London ... „

Do. Tone of Market at Close Steady

Do. South Australian ... Jan.-Feb.—3d

Do. Rosario Santa Fe, 62 lbs. Jan-Feb. No sellers

Do. do. Tone of Market at Close— .....

Do. Red Graded American per central Liverpool March— 7 2 1-4

Do. Afloat to U. K. ... .
Do. Stock at U. S. Ports ... .
Karach Barley ...Aug.-Sept—London ... .

LONDON, Dec. 15.

JAVA SUGAR.

Java Sugar 16-18 (Average 17) C.I.F. Calcutta Dec.	Value 11 3 „
Java Sugar 16-18 (Average 17) C.I.F. Calcutta Jan.-Mar.	11 6 „
Java Sugar 16-18 (Average 17) Bombay or Karachi Dec.	11 4 1-2 „
Java Sugar 16-18 (Average 17) Bombay or Karachi Jan.-March	11 7 1-2 „
Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar) Calcutta Dec.	12 3 „
Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar) Calcutta Jan.-March	12 6 „
Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar) Bom. or Karachi Dec.	12 4 1-2 „
Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar) Bom. or Karachi Jan.-March	12 7 1-2 „
Closing Tone of Market ...	Quiet and unchanged
Special Feature	do

LONDON, Dec. 15.

METALS.

Copper, Standard G M B	...£65 7	6
„ Best English Selected	£70 5	0
„ Braziers ...	...£81 10	0
„ Tone of Market	... Steady	
Hard Spelter ...	...£18 0	0
Tin Block F O B Liverpool	£173 10	0
Yellow Metal ...	... 6 13-16	
Galvd. Corrugated Sheets, 24 G., G. O., B 1 p.c. F O B L'pool ...	... 10 17	6
Silver, Spot ...	... 26 5-8	
Silver 2 months hence ...	... 26 11-16	
„ Tone of Market	... Steady	
„ Special Feature ...	...No buyers	

LONDON, Dec. 15.

FINANCIAL.

Silver Spot	... 26 5-8
Silver 2 Months	... 26 11-16
Silver Closing Tone of Market	—Quiet
Silver Tendency, etc. of the Market	... No buyers
Rentes 3 p. c....	...£ 86
Consols 2 1-2 p.c. Ex Div...	£ 71 13-16
Indian Stock 3 1-2 p. c....	£
Sterling loan	£ 86
Govt. Securities 3 p. c. ...	£ 75
Rupee Paper 3 1-2 p. c. ...	£ 63 3-4
Bar Gold per oz. Sh ...	77·9
Opening Tone of Finance Market.	.....
Closing Tone of Finance Market	.....
Bank of England Rate of Discount ...	... 5 p. cent.
Exchange on India 20 Days Sight ...	... 1 3 7-8
London at Paris Fcs.	... 25·32
Berlin cheques on London Mks ...	... 20·49
New York (Demand Bills) ds ...	... 4·85 1-4

Interest day to day loans	4 3-8
Do. 7 days Market loans ...	... 4 1-4
Discount Bank Bills 3 months Sight	... 4 3-4
Discount Bank Bills 6 months Sight	... 4 3-16
Fine Trade Bills 3 months	5 3-8
Fine Trade Bills 6 months	5 3-8

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 16.

COTTON.

OPENING COTTON.

Days Estimated Sales :	...10,000 bales.
Tone of Market	...Steady
Cotton Daily Mid Uplands G. O. C. Liverpool.	

Futures.	Latest closing	To-day's opening.
Dec.-Jan. ..	6·85	6·83
Jan.-Feb. ...	6·84	6·82
Feb.-Mar....	6·85	6·83
Mar.-Apl ...	6 85	6 84
April-May...	6 86	6 84
May-June..	6·85	6·83
June-July...	6·82	6·80
July-Aug ...	6·77	6 75
Aug.-Sept ..	6·66	6·04

BOMBAY BANK AND STOCK LIST.

BANKS.

BANKS.	Amount.	Paid-up.	Last half-yearly Dividend.	Cash Rate
INDIAN BANKS.				
Allahabad Bank Ld.	100	100	18 p c	356
Alliance Bank of Simla Ld ...	100	100	14 „	984
Bank of Bombay ...	500	500	13 „	1570
Bank of India ...	100	50	6 „	59
Bank of Bengal ...	500	500	14 „	1645
Bank of Madras ...	500	500	12 „	1440
Bank of Rangoon ...	100	100	7 „	90
Bank of Baroda ...	100	50	7 „	44
Credit Bank of India Ld ...	...	...	...	...
Punjab National Bank ...	100	100	9	170
The Bombay Merchants Bank Ld.	100		6¼	3
EXCHANGE BANK.				
Chartered Bank ...	£20	£20	15 p c	£59
Eastern Bank ...	£10	£ 4	4 „	72
Mercantile Bank(a)	25	12-10	8 „	£22
Do. (b)	25	12-10	8 „	£21½
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation ...	dl25	dl.125	£ 4	£80
National Bank of India ...	25	12½	12½ „	610

SPINNING & WEAVING COMPANIES.

Ahmedabad Advanced ...	500	500	25	730
Alliance ...	1000	1000	...	75
Berar Mfg ...	200	200	...	60
Bombay Cotton Mfg ...	500	500	40	100
Bombay Dyeing and M Co ...	250	250	15	600
Bombay United ...	250	250	25	430
Century ...	100	100	3	225
Central India ...	500	500	70	1805
China ...	1000	1000	...	475
Chho Silk ...	500	500	20	425
Colaba Land and Mill ...	700	700	30	1335
Coronation Mill ...	500	500	...	250
Connaught ...	300	300	..	175
Coorla ...	1000	1000	40	600
Crescent ...	100	100	20	105
Currimbhoy ...	250	250	12½	260
Crown ...	500	500	20	195
David ...	450	250	10	425
Emperor Edward..	500	500	10	...
Empress ...	500	500	...	140
Edward Sassoon Mill ...	200	200	6	155
Fazulbhoy ...	250	250	15	405
Framji Petit ...	1000	1000	25	1425
Finlay Mills ...	250	250	10	280
Gold Mohur ...	500	500	yr. 20	440
Hindustan ...	1000	1000	25	550
Hyowardana Bullough ...	500	500	15	575
Hyderabad ...	1000	1000	40	1325
Imperial Cotton ...	500	500	...	80
Indian Mfg ...	1000	1000	...	375
Indo-China Mfg ...	1000	1000	60	1000
James Greaves ...	500	500	...	175
Jamshed Mfg ...	250	250	5	87
Jivraj Balon ...	1000	1000	...	400
Jubilee Mills ...	1000	1000	...	200
Khandesh ...	1000	610	25	825
Khatow Makonjee...	1000	1000	45	315
Kohinoor ...	500	500	15	1695
Leopold ...	...	...	...	...
Lakshmi Cotton ...	1000	1000	yr. 100	1180
Madras United ...	1000	1000	50	2015
Madhauji Dharamsay ...	500	500	65	d 980
Manockji Petit ...	1000	1000	80	1980
Morarji Goculdas ...	1000	1000	60	2700
Mysore Spinning...	250	250	...	...
Mysore Spinning...	30	30	...	...
Moon ...	1000	1000	...	...
New Great Eastern	200	200	6	200
New City of Bombay ...	500	500	35	940
Phoenix ...	100	100	6	145
Presidency ...	1000	1000	...	200
Sassoon Cotton ...	1000	1000	50	700
Sassoon Silk ...	500	500	yr. 35	250
Sholapur ...	100	1000	125	4800
S Mahratha ...	250	250	15	60
Standard Mills ...	500	500	25	1080
Sun ...	250	250	Nil	85
Swan... ...	250	250	10	252
Swadesh ...	500	500	25	1420
Textile	500	500	20	1170
Vishnu Cotton ...	500	500	Nil	430
do P ...	500	500	Nil	620
Western India ...	1000	1000	25	475

PRESS COMPANIES.

Akbar	750	750	300	5400
Albert (Karachi)...	1100	1100	45	500
Bombay Cotton ...	...	...	...	...
Breul's Cawnpore...	200	200	6 p c	120
Broach City	200	200	14	177
Fort	475	475	22 1-2	190
Godavery Valley...	100	100	6	...
Harvey and Subhapatty	500	500	40	700
Hindustan P and M	250	250	15	...
Hingolee	100	100	6 p c	80
Indian Cotton	125	125	10	132½
Jamna Gin and Pressing Co	1000	1000	7	700
Khangaum	400	400	9 p c	300
Mahomedpura Cotton	125	125	7 1-2	100
Mahuva.....	200	200	nil	125
Mercantile	125	125	nil	20
Manmar Mfg	250	250	15	220
New East India ...	1000	1000	75	900
New Mofussil Co...	400	400	30 84	840
New Berar	500	500	40	530
New Prince of Wales	500	500	30	750
Oomri	100	112	nil	...
Purbhanj	100	100	10	...
Sind	400	400	30	250
Surat City	200	200	20	235
Volkart U P Co, Ld	600	600	50	640
Wadhwan G. and P	150	150	12	N

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WORLD OF SPORT.

MATCH.

C.'s BIG LEAD.

DURBAN, Dec. 15.
...se of play in the first test ...lay England's score was 419 ...tes (Hobbs 82, Douglas 105 ...
...uth Africa's first innings Taylor 109.—Reuter.

BOMBAY HUNT.

Hounds met at Irla yesterday. Their Excellencies Lord and Lady Willingdon were present, and if appearances can be any guide they must have enjoyed their morning's run. The country hunted by the Bombay Hounds is essentially different from any found elsewhere, being very intricate and enclosed, but Their Excellencies seemed at home in it and kept their position just behind the pack with the Master throughout the run, however blind the country.

Being a Tuesday the field was smaller than we have had so far, only about forty five turning out.

The Master moved off to draw on the south side of Jackal Hill, but though he drew every cover likely to hold a jack nothing was found.

Calling the pack off he took them to several covers on the Chuckla, but nothing was discovered until past the tank. Here the pack owned to a jin, and went away with a burst, but checked at the end of half a mile; and the pack being clean out of scent, the Master winded them back and drew again from where they had first started.

This attempt proved more successful and the pack went away with a fine burst to music, taking the field over the Bomanwadi Valley, skirting huckla, and on to the Andheri Road, beyond which they checked for a moment. They were soon away again, bearing towards the backwater over which they carried, and crossing the big pipe line, and Vihar Road, streamed up the hill on the side of the road and down into the Powai Valley. They then led the field over some good grass-topped bunds until they came to some very dense trees, the jungle underneath being well nigh impenetrable. The greater part of the field pulled up here, and not wanting to go through in case it should be a case of breaking back the same way waited developments where they were.

Not so their Excellencies, who together with the Master forced their individual way through with a few followers in their wake.

The pack raced up the hill overlooking Powai Lake. The going was a little less dense there, but very stony, and getting to the top of the hill the pack, keen as ever, pushed the jack round and over in just such similar country as finished the run last Tuesday, where there was very little chance of their coming to terms with their quarry, and much danger of damaging hounds in the thorny undergrowth.

The Master then called the pack off.

The next meet will be to-morrow at the Kennels.

CHAMPIONSHIP POLO.

THE CALCUTTA MEETING.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]
CALCUTTA, Dec. 16.

For the Polo Championship Tournament which begins here on Monday Dec. 22 the following teams have entered :—

The Tigers (Rutlam), 8th Hussars, the Viceroy's Staff, the Governor's (Bengal) Staff, the Travellers, Cavalry School (Saugor), Muzaffarpore (Gymkhana), Central India Horse, 17th Lancers, 17th Cavalry, 12th Cavalry.

Casualties and exigencies of service and leave have kept the 17th Lancers (holders), the Dragoon Guard and the Inniskillings out of the list.

"The condition of things responsible for the absence of the Calcutta Polo Club from a championship tournament is, says the *Statesman* enough to make angels weep. It is due largely to the disablement of Mr. Claude Ismay and the departure from India for good of Sir Cecil Graham, the "Fuzzy" of everybody's affection and admiration. Also, the Calcutta Junior Polo Club, of which great hopes were entertained, has not proved a fertile recruiting ground for the senior organisation. To remedy this sad state of affairs, and to give the much needed impetus to the game among the younger generation of ditchers, H. E. Lord Charnichael with characteristic generosity and instinct, offers a handsome challenge Cup to which he will add four small cups for the victorious four in a Junior Tournament."

It seems to the *Statesman* that the pick of a heavy basket are the Tigers and the Viceroy's Staff; The Central India Horse, however, are sure to give a good account of themselves.

H. E. the Viceroy will witness most of the games.

LORD ROSEBERY ON GOLF.

Lord Rosebery, at the annual dinner of the Edinburgh Burghers' Golfing Society in mail week, said some years ago at the opening of the club-house he was presented with a set of clubs which still filled an honoured place in his ancestral hall. They appeared to him to be of virgin silver, and virgin silver, he regretted to say, they remained. One of the speakers had promised that if he (Lord Rosebery) should become a golfer—and he thought that still remote—he should have the use of the links. If he asked for a day on the links, he would do so on condition that he should be left entirely to himself.

NEW SHAMROCK SURPRISE.

The keel of the Shamrock IV., the yacht with which Sir Thomas Lipton hopes to win the America Cup next September, was laid at Nicholson's yard, Gosport, Portsmouth, in mail week.

Sir Thomas stated that the Shamrock IV. is going to be "the most wonderful ship ever known. There is to be something about her which will startle people when she is finished."

GOLF IN BOMBAY.

THE MACDONALD CUP.

The following matches in the first round of the competition for the Macdonald Cup were played off over the local course on Tuesday morning.

Russ (—2) beat Courts (scr.). 3 up and 2.

Begbie (scr) beat Hollinghurst (—4) 5 up and 4.

Hargreaves (scr.) and Ridson (—3) all Square.

RACING AT HOME.

WHO WON THE MONEY.

His Majesty heads the list of successful race horse owners by right of sovereignty with five races and £4,480 in stakes won by three horses says the *Daily Mail*. If looks count for aught the young stock now at Egerton House, assisted by the present two-year-olds Brakespear and La Marquise, should largely increase this total in 1914. There are some very promising yearlings in the stable, and this is not written in any spirit of todyism, but that they include a second Persimmon is too much to hope for, though one never can tell.

Mr. J. B. Joel is the most successful owner with £ 25,115. In the last six years Mr. Joel has won £ 123,133 in stakes. Mr. Hulton, who follows him with a few hundreds less, has in the same period secured £68,233, while Lord Derby's total for five years is £106,619. His lordship drops from second place last year to third.

Mr Belmont with Tracery and Captain McCalmont with The Tetrarch are other "single-speech Hamiltons," and still another is Mr. Cunliffe. In 1912 this gentleman secured but one paltry race, worth £132. This year he won the Derby with a 100 to 1 chance—truly a vivid contrast! But how Aboyeur managed to do it is a mystery equalled only by the St. Leger victory of Night Hawk, which jumped Mr. Hall Walker up among the "five figure" winners.

Mr. George Edwardes more than doubled his 1912 total, and is, besides, the owner of Santoi—whose progeny won the greatest number of races—though Desmond and Sundridge beat him for money won. Mr. Bowyer Ismay, in spite of a total of £ 7,804 was horribly unlucky. Lots of people still swear that Craganour won the Two Thousand, and if he had not been deprived of the Derby and Mr. Ismay thereby piqued into making a sale, he might have stayed in England and won the St. Leger. Of such are the vicissitudes of racing!

It is a pleasure to note the substantial advance made by Lord Londonderry and Sir John Thursby. Coreyra for his lordship and Kennymore and Torchlight for the baronet promise to do distinguished service next year. Lord Carnarvon also improved greatly on his 1912 totol.

BOXER'S NEW ROLE.

JACK JOHNSON TWICE THROWS CHAMPION WRESTLER.

Jack Johnson, whom the International Boxing Union deprived of the title of champion pugilist of the world, has blossomed out into a wrestler. An international tournament has been going or for some weeks at the Nouveau Cercle, Paris, and Johnson issued a challenge to any boxer or wrestler. It was accepted by Urbach, the German champion.

On Nov. 25 the circus was packed, and Johnson was greeted with a thunder of applause and flowers were thrown towards him by ladies when he came to the carpet, while the German, who is regarded by Parisians as a very rough wrestler, was received with hootings, and at the same time he was pelted with onions, chocolates, potatoes, etc.

At the signal for the start the German "Tiger" made a rush for Johnson with both fists, and struck him hard in the chest. Johnson jumped out, but did not answer. This created a scene in the circus, people hooting Urbach, and shouting to Johnson, "Knock him out, Jack! Kill him!"

During the fifteen minutes that the first round lasted the German kept on hitting the black man with his fist and elbows, thus causing a terrific uproar. Finally Johnson got Urbach by the neck, and made his two shoulders touch the mat, and was declared the winner.

The second round lasted only eight minutes, Johnson catching Urbach by the neck once more, and flooring him. The defeated German refused to shake hands with Johnson.

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FOOTBALL SENSATION.

ALLEGED ATTEMPT TO BRIBE PLAYER.

London, Dec. 1.

Frederick Pster has been arrested at West Bromwich for attempting to bribe Jesse Pennington, the West Bromwich Albion football player.

A man in a motor-car offered the captain of the Birmingham Football Club £57 if he arranged the game against the Grimsby Club.

THE ENGLISH TURF.

London, Nov. 29.

Mr. E. Hulton, the owner of the colt Sornoway, who, ridden by F. Wootton, won the Gimcrack Stakes in the course of a speech at a dinner held at the Gimcrack Club, York, protested against the recent slanderous criticisms of the turf. He added that many troubles were unfairly attributed to the present style of riding. While the so-called monkey seat was capable of exaggeration, the old style was completely dead. No practical racing man would argue that the riding of to-day was more deliberately foul or less honest than of yore.

A SUCCESSFUL JOCKEY.

London, Nov. 30.

E. Piggott rode five winners at the Kempton Park meeting.

BILLIARDS.

London, Nov. 29.

Richard Wootton, the ex-Australian horse-trainer who deposited £280 to ratify the Grav-Stevenson match, to be played on April 20, has now forwarded to the Billiard Control Club £25 to enable Gray to enter for the professional championship of England, at present held by M. Inman.

Stevenson and Reece have also challenged Inman for the Control Championship.

WORLD'S SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP.

London, Dec. 1.

Albany, who has challenged Barry to row for the world's championship, states that his position is quite clear. If Barry does not accept the challenge he will not take any further steps until January 23, when he will claim the championship. He is convinced of Australia's support and is determined to become the champion, as he is making many sacrifices.

BOXING.

Melbourne, Nov. 30.

At the Stadium last night Holberg (Denmark) beat Picato (America) in the 11th round.

Sydney, Nov. 30.

Matt Wells of England, and Harry Stone, of America, boxed 20 rounds before a large crowd at the Rushcutter Bay Stadium on Saturday night. Both men showed some clever boxing, and Referee Scott declared Stone the winner on points. The weights were: Stone, 9st 6lb; Wells, 9st 10.bs.

AN OPPOSITION SYNDICATE.

London, Nov. 30.

Mr. Flannagan's syndicate has engaged "Pat" O'Keefe, "Gus" Platts, "Willie" Farrell, and "Young" Brooks, who will sail for Australia after Christmas, and will appear in Sydney in opposition to "Snowy" Baker.

WRESTLING.

Paris, Nov. 30.

"Jack" Johnson, the well-known boxer, met a wrestler named Spoul in a catch-as-catch-can wrestling match. Spoul persistently fouled Johnson and attacked the referee. Johnson warned Spoul that he would knock him out if he continued, and eventually he felled Spoul, who was outclassed.

LEAGUE FOOTBALL AT HOME.

The following are the positions of the various clubs in the leading English leagues up to Nov. 24:—

THE LEAGUE, DIV 1.

Points and Positions.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals. F.	A.	Pts.
BLACKBURN R.	14	9	3	2	29	16	21
MANCHESTER U.	13	9	0	4	28	12	18
SUNDERLAND	14	7	4	3	28	17	18
W. BROMWICH A.	13	6	5	2	15	9	17
BOLTON WAND.	13	7	3	3	28	18	17
BRADFORD CITY	15	5	6	2	17	12	16
OLDHAM ATH.	13	7	1	5	22	18	16
TOTTENHAM H.	14	6	3	5	25	25	15
BURNLEY	14	5	4	5	25	17	14
SHEFFIELD U.	14	6	1	7	25	26	14
ASTON VILLA	13	5	2	6	15	18	12
NEWCASTLE U.	13	5	2	6	12	15	12
SHEFFIELD WED.	14	6	0	8	19	25	12
CHELSEA	13	5	1	7	20	25	11
EVERTON	13	5	1	7	23	27	11
DERBY COUNTY	14	3	5	6	23	20	11
MIDDLESBROUGH	14	3	4	6	17	25	10
LIVERPOOL	13	3	4	6	11	26	10
MANCHESTER C.	13	2	5	6	14	20	9
PRESTON N.E.	14	1	3	10	7	24	5

THE LEAGUE, DIV. 2.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals. F.	A.	Pts
NOTTS COUNTY	15	8	3	4	28	15	19
BRADFORD	13	9	1	4	21	19	18
WOOLWICH A.	13	7	3	3	19	15	17
LEEDS CITY	12	7	2	3	25	16	16
HULL CITY	13	6	4	3	17	11	16
WOLVERHTON W.	14	6	4	4	18	12	16
BURY	13	6	2	5	14	9	15
FULHAM	14	6	3	4	20	14	15
BRISTOL CITY	13	5	4	4	20	16	14
LEICESTER FOSS.	14	7	0	7	20	19	14
CLAPTON ORIENT.	12	4	5	3	9	7	13
BARNSLEY	12	4	5	3	15	14	13
BIRMINGHAM	13	5	3	5	15	22	13
GRIMSBY TOWN	13	4	4	5	15	20	12
HUDDERSFIELD T.	13	3	5	5	15	13	11
STOCKPORT C.	12	3	4	5	16	22	10
LINCOLN CITY	15	3	3	9	12	28	9
GLOSSOP	13	3	2	8	11	24	8
BLACKPOOL	13	1	5	7	10	20	7
NOTTS FOREST	14	2	2	10	14	26	4

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals. F.	A.	Pts.
SWINDON	13	10	2	1	31	12	22
CRYSTAL PALACE	14	7	5	2	24	14	19
READING	15	8	2	5	16	14	18
NORTHAMPTON	13	6	5	3	24	19	17
BRIGHTON & H. A.	14	6	5	3	14	12	17
PLYMOUTH A.	14	7	3	4	17	17	17
PORTSMOUTH	13	6	3	4	19	14	15
SOUTHEND UTD.	15	5	4	6	20	25	14
EXETER CITY	13	5	3	5	15	11	13
WESTHAM UTD.	13	5	3	5	21	21	13
NORWICH CITY	14	3	7	4	14	17	13
GILLINGHAM	15	6	1	8	21	23	13
QUEEN'S PARK R.	13	4	4	5	14	15	12
MERTHYR TOWN	14	5	4	6	12	21	12
COVENTRY CITY	15	3	6	6	19	31	12
WATFORD	16	4	4	8	22	19	12
SOUTHAMPTON	14	4	3	7	19	34	11
BRISTOL ROVERS	13	3	4	6	17	17	10
MILLWALL	13	2	6	5	14	21	10
CARDIFF CITY	13	2	2	8	17	19	8

VARDON AND RAY HOME AGAIN.

OUIMET COMPARED WITH "CHICK" EVANS.

RAY'S LITTLE JOKE WITH A GROUNDSMAN.

After their long golfing tour in the United States, during which Ouimet, the marvellous boy golfer, spoiled their chances of bringing back the American championship, Harry Vardon and Edward Ray returned to England in mail week.

When they reached Liverpool on board the White Star liner Celtic, they both looked brown and well, though rather tired, and they were in an exceedingly uncommunicative mood. This was attributed to the treatment they had received from the American golf writers, about which they both complained bitterly. "The golf critics out there made us appear to have said things in interviews we had never said, and they misconstrued everything we did say," remarked Vardon, disgustedly, to a *Daily News* representative. Ray added agreement, and added, 'They don't appear to understand the game."

STRAIN OF THE TOUR.

"Consequently," continued Vardon, "we are now particularly shy about what we do say. We intend to write our experiences and impressions ourselves in our own way." In a special interview later, however, Vardon gave me some interesting particulars of the tour. "On the whole," he said, "we both enjoyed it very much. But it was a great strain on us, because we had such a multitude of engagements to fulfil. Although it was naturally a disappointment not to win the championship, we could not begrudge Ouimet his victory, for he is a brilliant golfer and he played magnificently in the final. I shouldn't say, though, that he is America's greatest golfer. You judge a man by the manner in which he gets hold of the ball, and in my own opinion I should say he is not as good as 'Chick' Evans."

"Although we didn't win the championship," continued Vardon, "we won together forty out of forty-one foursomes, and that isn't a bad record, is it? We played these matches all over the country on courses we had never set eyes on before, and some of our opponents were stiff propositions to tackle. You must also take into consideration the strain we were undergoing. We hardly ever slept in a hotel. Our rest was of the slightest, and we got it nearly all in trains, travelling from one match to another.

QUESTION OF FEES.

"With regard to the fees we charged, the criticism of them was simply ridiculous. We charged £65 a match, but we were deluged with offers at very much higher figures. As a matter of fact, we have come away leaving thirty-two offers in excess of the fees complained of unaccepted. Ray and I hope to go over again in 1915 if it can be arranged with our respective clubs."

Vardon vouched for the truth of a capital story which he told about Ray. The two of them one day visited a small and undistinguished course usually frequented by keen but painfully unproficient amateurs. After watching these well-meaning people for some time with great amusement, Ray solemnly asked the groundsman how golf scores were counted, and if the man who took the greatest number of "knocks" to get into the little hole was the winner. The groundsman good-naturedly undertook to give the great player a few lessons in the elements of the game. "You put the little ball on a bit of sand, then you hit it hard," he said.

"No, you should keep your eye on the ball," he cried, when Ray clumsily lifted a huge piece out of the turf. Ray proceeded to hack around, hitting everything but the ball, until, getting tired of the joke, he changed his grip and swung and drove the ball bang on to the green about three hundred yards distant. Then he left the groundsman gasping with astonishment!

"It is thirteen years since I was last over in America," said Vardon. "Since that time golf there has made immense strides. The courses used to be very primitive; now some of them are exceedingly good. Golf has assized America as it has slowly seized every country."

ENGLAND AND OLYMPIC GAMES.

POINTED QUESTIONS BY MR. R. C. LEHMANN.

Mr. R. C. Lehmann comments in the *Granta* upon the circular issued by the Cambridge athletic presidents and secretaries appealing for subscriptions to the Olympic fund, but questioning whether the Olympic Games conduce to healthy amateur athletics and whether it will be desirable that Great Britain and the universities in particular should in future take part in the competitions.

"It appears," Mr. Lehmann states, "that these gentlemen, though they are, to put it mildly, far from enthusiastic about the Olympic Games, are yet of opinion that the country, having been committed, it behoves us to make the best of a bad job by subscribing our money for the Games of 1916. Under these circumstances I think we are justified in asking the following questions:

"1. How was Great Britain committed to the Olympic Games of 1916?

"2. When and by whom was the pledge given on behalf of the country?

"3. Were the governing bodies of the various associations controlling sport in Great Britain consulted before any such pledge was given, and did they authorise the giver or givers of the pledge to speak on their behalf and to commit them?

"As, according to the signatories of the appeal, it is beyond controversy that Great Britain is committed to the Berlin Games of 1916 it ought to be an easy matter to answer these simple questions. If, however, it should appear that these questions cannot be answered satisfactorily, I presume that the presidents and captains will not push their appeal."

Their expression of doubt as to the Olympic Games conducing to healthy amateur athletics, Mr. Lehmann regards, coming from such a source, as perhaps the strongest condemnation of the Olympic Games that has yet been printed.

THE KING'S GOLF TUTOR.

George Sayers, the well-known professional golfer, has died suddenly at his residence at North Berwick. Sayers, who was a younger brother of Ben Sayers, and about fifty years of age, had taught and played golf with the present King, the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, Princes, Victoria of Schleswig Holstein, and other distinguished people, including Mr. Balfour and Lord Cadogan.

THE WEATHER.

SNOW IN SIMLA AND THE CHAKRATA HILLS.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS]
SIMLA, Dec. 16.

Snow is reported from Simla and the Chakrata Hills where falls have been equivalent to about half-an-inch of rain. The weather is disturbed off the Ceylon Coast, and rain is falling on the South Madras Coast.

Forecast:—Increase of rain in the south of the Peninsula.

Appended is Tuesday's report of the Meteorological Reporter for Western India, based on observations taken at 8 o'clock.

Names of Stations.	Maximum temperature during the last 24 hrs.	Minimum temperature during the last 24 hours.	Rainfall past 24 hours.	Rainfall since 1st November to date.
Roshire (15th)	68·8	56·5	0·02	3·77
Jask	...	...	...	...
Gwadar (15th)	68·8	58·1	...	0. 0
Multan	70·8	46·5	...	0 8
Rawalpindi	60·4	36·1	...	F
Lahore	66·9	42·	...	0·37
Sibsa ...	68·3	4·0	...	0·05
Ambala ...	64·5	43·9	...	0·7.
Delhi ...	69·0	40·8	...	0 8
Agra ...	71·	47·6	...	0·0
Mainpuri ...	7·3	46·6	...	0·2
Jhansi ...	74·.	47·0	...	0·37
Cawnpore ...	71·0	47·6	...	0·12
Allahabad ...	72·2	48·0	..	0·68
Jacobabad ...	73·8	42·3	...	1·30
Karachi ...	7 0	59·0	...	0·17
Ajmer ...	69·6	4·2	...	2·34
Jaipur ...	72·2	47·.	...	0·26
Kotah ...	74·6	2·6	...	1·03
Bhuj ...	78·0	52·0	...	0·04
Deesa ...	81·3	6·.	...	0·00
Veraval ...	85·6	6 3	...	0·00
Rajkot ...	82·0	52·	...	0·00
Bhavnagar Para.	84·.	56·3	...	0·00
Surat ...	86·9	59·0	...	0·00
Ahmedabad ...	80·1	59·7	...	0·00
Ossea ...	83·8	54	...	0·0
Neemuch ...	76·9	46·0	...	0·04
Indore ...	80·1	49·1	...	0·20
Jamnagore ...	75·3	49·3	...	0·04
Saugor ...	73·.	43	...	0·81
Hoshangabad ...	79·1	54·9	...	0·77
Khandwa ...	82·.	55·1	...	0·00
Akola ...	80·7	5·5	...	0·49
Amraoti ...	84·3	59·8	...	1·31
Nagpur ...	82·6	58·0	...	0·8
Chanda ...	85·3	57·	...	0·37
Raipur ...	80·7	5·6	...	1·26
BOMBAY ...	83·6	·01	...	...
Ratnagiri ...	81·8	6·9	...	...
Mormugao ...	81·0	70·2	...	...
Karwar ...	84·2	67·0	...	...
Malegaon ...	85·4	58·1	...	0·08
Ahmednagar ...	83·6	61·	...	0·6
Poona ...	86·5	56·8	...	...
Sholapur ...	86·.	66·6	...	0· 1
Bijapur ...	86·7	65·3	...	0·24
Belgaum ...	83·3	5·5	...	0·82
Aurangabad ...	82·9	63·0	...	0·00
Nizamabad (Indur) ...	85·4	61·7	...	0·02
Hyderabad ...	8·8	64·2	...	0·00
Bangalore ...	87·8	70·3	...	0·93
Calicut ...	85·.	69·6	...	4·67
Cochin ...	90·7	68·7	...	4·41
Colombo ...	73·5	73·0	2·50	24·21
Masulipatam ...	86·0	69·1	...	...
Bellary ...	90·4	64·1	...	0·04
Vizagapatam ...	86·3	69·1	...	3·09
Madras ...	84·1	75·8	0·03	25·83
Bangalore ...	83·5	66·9	...	0·30
Coimbatore ...	86·6	67·4	...	4.50
Trichinopoly ...	85·6	72·3	...	8·27
Negapatam ...	86·1	72·3	0·40	49·61

summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Tuesday the 16th December, 1913, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Skies are clear. Humidity is normal or in excess. Maximum temperature is in defect except at Multan.

The United Provinces.—Skies are clear. The moisture in the air is either equal to or above the average. Day temperature is generally in slight defect.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are clear. Humidity is normal. Maximum temperature is in defect in Rajputana; minimum temperature is also below normal at Bikaner.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are clear. The moisture in the air is either equal to or below the average. Temperature is normal.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are clear or lightly clouded. Humidity is normal or in defect. Minimum temperature is in defect at most stations.

The Konkan.—Skies are lightly clouded. The air is damper than usual and day temperature is in defect except at Bombay.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are lightly to moderately clouded. Humidity is in defect in the north Bombay Deccan and normal or in excess elsewhere. Minimum temperature is generally in excess.

General Remarks.—Local rain has fallen on the south Coromandel coast. Conditions are slightly unsettled in the south of the Bay of Bengal.

Fairly general rain is likely on the south Coromandel coast and some showers in the adjacent districts inland.

STANDARD BAROMETER READING.

The following information is published in order that vessels in the Bombay Harbour may, by comparison with a standard instrument, ascertain the errors of their barometers:—

The reading of the Standard Barometer at the Colaba Observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 80 deg. F, and to the level of the tide, at 8-45 a. m., (Standard Time), on the 16th December, 1913, was 30·119 inches. For temperature corrections applicable to mercurial barometers of ships, the reading of the ship's barometer is to be increased or decreased by ·013 inch for every 5 deg., according as the temperature of the attached thermometer is respectively below or above 80 deg. F. In case of the Aneroid, no temperature correction is needed, but for comparison at 80 deg. F all Aneroid readings should be increased by ·138 inch. For correcting the ship's barometers either mercurial or Aneroid, for the height of the barometer cistern above the tidal level in the stream at 8-45 a.m., (Standard Time), the ship's barometers reading should be increased by ·010 inch for every 10 feet of this height, to make it comparable with the observatory barometer reading given above.

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THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

In opening the proceedings of the Bombay Legislative Council yesterday His Excellency, Lord Willingdon, expressed the hope and belief that in the near future the outlook of the Indians in South Africa will assume a more satisfactory aspect. This statement will be universally welcomed, and it is also gratifying to learn that Government is prepared to take any proper steps which may be in its power to ensure a revival of financial confidence in Bombay. The other subjects with which Lord Willingdon dealt related to the procedure of the Legislative Council. India is not the only country in which public men are afflicted with incurable verbosity. But the tendency to deliver interminable speeches is especially marked here, and we imagine that everyone who realises that the Legislative Council was established for the despatch of business rather than for oratorical display will learn with satisfaction that the Government has decided to make no extension of the time limit for speeches. The decision providing for the proper preparation of questions and resolutions is also a salutary one. In the House of Commons questions which it is sought to address to Ministers have to be submitted to the Clerk at the Table, whose function it is to assist members in putting their interpolations in proper form. It may be that objections will be taken to this decision, but the right of questioning is notoriously open to abuse, and the procedure to be adopted will make for efficiency and tend to facilitate the business of the Council. Lord Willingdon's announcement, that in future a member of the Council, whether elected or nominated, will be free to speak and vote as his judgment and conscience bid him, will no doubt lead to enhanced interest in the proceedings of that body. With increased freedom there should come a greater sense of responsibility. The liberty enjoyed by the members of the Bengal Council recently led to the defeat of the Government, but, as Lord Carmichael had subsequently to point out, the action of the majority was by no means a happy one. In a speech which he delivered on the subject at the opening of the Council this month, the Governor of Bengal expressed a hope that in future the non-official members would resist all temptations to beat the Government merely for the sake of doing so. "I hope this," he said, "not because I wish to avoid trouble for myself, but because I am anxious for the reputation of Council Government in India, and especially in Bengal. When the non-official members beat the Government nothing particular need necessarily happen. The Government can go on just the same as if it had not been beaten. Government will always, I hope, examine carefully any question on which it has been beaten and, if it honourably can will meet the views of the non-official majority. But it seems to me that if once the beating of Government were to become common at the hands of men voting with a light heart against Government, without any clear and well-thought out idea of what the result would be, if what they support is or is not carried out, a blow will be struck not at the prestige of the Government but at the prestige of the Council, and that will be a great set-back to Indian progress. For the honour of Bengal, it behoves the politicians of Bengal to recognise their responsibilities, to shape their political conduct deliberately, and to think out results." These words deserve the serious consideration of public men, whether in Bengal or in any other part of India.

LESSONS OF THE AISGILL DISASTER.

The lessons to be deduced from serious accidents on the railway are of supreme importance to the public, and the report of Major Pringle of the Board of Trade on the Aisgill disaster is consequently the subject of much discussion in the Home Press. It will be recalled that two south-bound passenger trains were involved in this disaster. One of these had come to a standstill, owing to shortage of steam, when the second dashed into it. Fire broke out among the wrecked carriages and sixteen passengers lost their lives. There is no question as to the immediate cause of the accident. The driver of the second train, Caudle, neglected to obey signals which were against him, and he was guilty of carelessness and incaution after he had realised that he had run past the signals without seeing them. The guard of the first train is also censured, Major Pringle pointing out that, in accordance with the rules, he ought to have gone back to protect the train, and that if he had placed detonators only 150 yards in rear of his own train the collision would probably have been averted. There were two sources of fire, burning gas and live cinders. The first outbreak was successfully dealt with; and Major Pringle is of opinion that if the danger of a further outburst had been recognised the second fire might have also been controlled. The recommendations which are suggested by the Board of Trade Inspector to minimise the danger o similar accidents in the future are of a very interesting character. Major Pringle proposes that all signal boxes on main lines or express routes should be provided with means, either automatic or such as can be readily employed by signalmen, for laying one or more detonators upon the rails in front of any approaching train when a section of the line in advance of the signal box is occupied. The second proposal is to the effect that all guards' vans on main lines or express routes should be furnished with sufficient coloured flare lights, which could promptly be ignited when trains are stopped in sections. The question of protecting railway travellers against fire is of vital importance, and here Major Pringle puts forward a number of important recommendations. All coaches on main lines or express services should, in his opinion, be provided with steel under-frames, with shock-absorbing buffers, and the timber or other material utilised in the body of the coach should be rendered non-inflammable. All the doors, moreover, should either be so situated that they cannot be jammed as the result of an accident, or, as an alternative, attachments should be provided outside the doors by means of which they may be readily opened. Bars across windows, where they exist, should be easily removable, and the windows themselves should be capable of being opened to their fullest extent. Another recommendation is to the effect that notices informing passengers of the position of tools and appliances in trains should be fixed at every gangway, or in some conspicuous position outside the vans holding the tools. The object of these proposals will be obvious to any one who has read the descriptions of the Aisgill accident and of other disasters which have resulted in the outbreak of fires in trains, and the burning to death of imprisoned passengers. Major Pringle urges upon the railway companies once more the desirability of substituting electricity for gas as their standard illuminant. "It cannot be expected," he adds, "that all the gas-lighted vehicles can be replaced at once. The expense would be too considerable. But the policy of constructing all new stock with electric lighting and of replacing as early as possible the existing gas-lighted stock on main line and express services is in consonance with the trend of general practice all over the world and one which is not impracticable from the point of view of expense." This report is of far more than local interest, and we may hope that note will be taken by all concerned of the lessons of the Aisgill disaster.

The Secretary of State has sanctioned the transfer of Mastuj and Lasper to the control of Mehtar of Chitral.

Colonel Pinhey, Resident, Hyderabad, will proceed on six months' leave in March. Mr. Stuart Fraser will officiate, the latter's place in Kashmir being taken by Mr. H. V. Cobb, now on leave.

Sir James and Lady Meston have arrived in Allahabad, and the Famine Conference will be held on Wednesday.

The Secretary of State has sanctioned a third Deputy Director of Agriculture for the United Provinces.

Notes of the Day.

Mr. McKenna has appointed a committee to consider "whether any amendment of the law for the protection of wild birds, or improvement in its administration, is desirable." There is obviously room for amendment, judging from the record of one Charles Fisher, of Pinchbeck, birdcatcher and bricklayer, who has, we are told by the mail papers, just retired. This "sportsman," who doubtless knows nothing of the skylark of the poet's fancy and to whom the "blithe spirit" of Shelley is a bird worth one penny when sent in imprisonment to the London market, boasts that he has taken in his nets, during his twenty-eight years' depredations, no fewer than 140,000 songsters.

The three Powers, Great Britain, Russia and France, have very properly insisted on a clear definition of the limitations of the new German command for the Turkish Army. Without that definition the allocation of important functions to the German military mission was hardly in consonance with the principles of political equality which it is necessary the Powers should observe in the Ottoman dominions. The need for clearly indicating that there must be no question of anything that might ever suggest a German military protectorate of the Turkish Empire was the object of the combined request for information by the three Powers,—a request which was not merely a representation but a plain intimation to the Porte.

Most people have their own views of what is an "ideal Christmas," meaning the best manner and place in which Christmas can be enjoyed. These views are much oftener contrary to the old Yuletide log and happy family gathering ideas than is perhaps realised. An example, which will be of special interest to Europeans in India at the present time, is that of the preference of Sir J. D. Rees, who, in the *Bombay Gazette* Christmas number, which is to be published next week, tells why, out of many charming places in which he has spent Christmas, the Nilghery Hills in Southern India are to him the most delightful spot. "Here," he says, "at a height of 8,000 feet above the sea you may, with luck, shoot anything from a jungle sheep to a wild goat, and from a wild goat to a tiger, while the scenery is the sublimest I have come across in the world."

The champions of the South African Indians are certainly "getting on." From the telegram to the Viceroy which appears in another column, it will be seen that the Bombay South African Committee request the Government of India to inform the Imperial Government that they have no confidence in the impartiality of any South African Colonial, "however eminent." In his speech at Calcutta, again, Mr. Gokhale is reported to have said that "he would not be surprised if, as a result of an impartial enquiry, most of the allegations made were found to be true." It might have been imagined that steps would be taken to confirm all the charges before they were utilised to stir up violent passions in India. Mr. Gokhale's assertion that "he would not be surprised" if most of them were proved, is indeed a significant admission. The gravest charge advanced was that an Indian had been flogged to death, and this was shown to be untrue by the evidence of a medical man who was specially engaged on behalf of the Indian leaders to make an examination of the body.

The appointment of Mr. Albert C. Clark to the Corpus chair of Latin at Oxford, in succession to the late Professor Robinson Ellis, was a foregone conclusion, as he was not only Reader in Latin in the University, but had been nominated Deputy Professor, to take Ellis's place on account of the latter's old age and increasing infirmities only a short while before the latter's death in October last. The new Professor who is a Fellow of Queen's College was is a Balliol man, being one of the brilliant pupils of Jowett. He succeeded Robinson Ellis as Latin Reader twenty years ago, and he now succeeds him in the higher post of Professor. Unlike Ellis, who had already made his name famous by his great edition of Catullus before he came to the chair, Professor Clark has not yet achieved fame by any striking edition of a Latin work, though his labours in regard to the great speech of Cicero *Pro Milone* are known beyond Oxford. His *forte* lies in textual criticism, in which he has done notable work.

Lord Willingdon persists in the business, like attitude which he adopted when he assumed the presidency of the Legislative Council. Yesterday, to the disappointment of Sir Pherozeshah Mehta and his friends, he refused to allow any extension of time to speakers in debates on Finance Bills. In the same speech the Governor made the interesting announcement, which we deal with elsewhere, that Government had resolved that in future all members, whether nominated or elected, are to be free to vote according to their own convictions and conscience. The morning was occupied by a somewhat unprofitable discussion whether lawyers are qualified or unqualified to act as Port Trustees. Sir Pherozeshah Mehta contended that on account of their "cosmopolitan knowledge" lawyers were better able to cater for the interests of merchants than merchants themselves. The majority of the Council did not appear to agree with this theory.

CALCUTTA LETTER.

THE GOVERNORSHIP NO SINECURE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 13.

In his interesting reminiscences, Lord Hopetoun relates an amusing adventure in the Australian bush what time he was Governor-General of the Commonwealth. While driving a buggy along a lonely bush road he was suddenly brought up by a huge log lying right across. His footman jumped down to clear the obstruction, and found a man sitting on one end, quietly smoking a pipe. "Give us a hand to lift this log out of the way" ordered the flunkey. The Colonial told him to go to the devil. "Do you know who's in the buggy." "No, and I don't care." "It's the Governor-General of Australia." "Oh is it. Well you can tell him he's got a damn good job, and he'd better not go on the bend and lose it." I told this story to Lord Carmichael one day, and having himself been a Governor in Australia he relished the humour of it hugely, but he added pathetically that a Governorship was not quite the sinecure some people seemed to think. I am reminded of the remonstrance by the strenous time His Excellency ... having in Calcutta since the opening of the season. I really do not think that anybody works harder to perform the duties of office. His order of the day is crowded with engagements and he declines to fulfil any of them vicariously. In the old days, when there used to be a Viceroy and a Lieutenant-Governor in Calcutta at the same time, what might be called the ceremonial work was divided between them. Philanthropists, educationalists, and other exploiters official distinction had to put up with the *chota lat saheb* if they could not get the *burra lat*; there might be disappointment but no heart-burning. Under the new dispensation everybody wants the Governor, and failure to get him leaves the sting of a slight. The obvious reason is that there is nobody else with a title of exclusive distinction. Lord Carmichael realises the disability and puts himself out to make it bear as lightly as possible on an extremely sensitive community. It is fortunate that he possesses a great fund of good humour to draw upon, and that he is naturally of a sociable disposition, or his public engagements would bore him to death. During the past week he has been constantly in the limelight, and to judge by appearances he was enjoying it all the time.

FREE LIBRARIES.

On Tuesday His Excellency opened the library and free-reading room that have been established to commemorate the late Raja Rammohun Roy, whom Mr. Bradley Birt in his book, "Twelve Men of Bengal" calls "the first ambassador of India to the English people." The speech in which Lord Carmichael endorsed this sentiment was instinct with sympathy and fine feeling; that his sympathy was practical was proved by his spontaneous contribution of Rs. 2,500 to the amount required to equip the library. This act has added to a popularity which is everyday taking a firmer hold on the hearts of the whole people of the capital. Lord Carmichael said very truly that the provision of good libraries was not keeping pace with the spread of education, This is especially true of Calcutta which has nothing in the line to compare with the library of the Framjee Cowasjee Institute and several other Bombay institutions I could name. We have of course the Imperial Library in Metcalfe Hall, but for reasons needless to enumerate, it is far from being satisfactory. Since the death of Mr. E. W. Madge, the superintendent of the reading room, it is less satisfactory than it used to be; and there appears to be no intention to raise it to the standard of efficiency contemplated by Lord Curzon. The Governor would be doing a real service to the citizens of Calcutta if he would turn his attention to this institution. At certain times of the year the Calcutta Corporation overhauls its grants to public philanthropies, and in the light of what Lord Carmichael has just said it is interesting to remember that free libraries and reading rooms receive most of those doles. Some years ago I had the curiosity to discover what these institutions were like, and my experience was not quite edifying. They all had large committees, the ward commissioners usually being the chairmen; but the books were sad to seek. The newspapers and magazines on the tables had an antiquarian interest, and I was told in confidence that they were contributed by certain estimable *bikriwallahs*! I am not romancing, but telling the plain unvarnished truth. I was not able to discover what became of the municipal grants and the subscriptions collected from the public; it was, however, hinted that they were never more than sufficient to pay the wages of the caretaker and to provide for a *tamasha* at the annual meeting at which some man of light and leading presided, generally the landlord who gave the room rent free. If Lord Carmichael has an ambition to become the Andrew Carnegie of Calcutta he would do well to study the tribe of free librarians before he gives money himself or gets his friends to contribute. Like the secretaries of swadeshi football clubs free librarians are members of a thriving profession.

THE GARDEN PARTY.

The social event of the week was the garden party at Government House which attracted a very large crowd. This was not due to any eagerness to renew acquaintance with the members of the Public Service Commissioners whose patronage was advertised by the daily Press. They were all there it is true, but they mixed unnoticed in the throng. The reason why everyone who received a card made it a point to attend was because the function seemed to take the place of the usual levee. Lord and Lady Carmichael received all their guests in person and many left after shaking hands to keep other engagements of which there were several coincidental. For instance there was the annual exhibition at St. Xavier's College, which is always a big social function. Sir William Duke presided and Lady Jenkins distributed the prizes. Both these leaders of society made their bows at Government House but had no time for more. It was the same with other people, Indian and European. Then again it was mail day; yet nobody who mattered in commerce failed to leave his office for an hour to make obeisance to [illegible] host and hostess [illegible] House. They will [illegible] ground when Lord [illegible] come here at Christ[illegible] want to show that [illegible] like the eclipse, [illegible] The Government [illegible] looking very beaut[illegible] there is evidence [illegible] where which we d[illegible] It is rumoured th[illegible] condition is not the [illegible] generous grant from [illegible] budget, but of a don[illegible] Excellency's private pur[illegible] itself is very full of gues[illegible] is an overflow into an end[illegible] the north gate.

COMMISSIONS AN[illegible] COMMISSIONERS.

Lord Islington and several co[illegible] of the P. S. C. are staying with [illegible] Carmichael, but they will shift o[illegible] make room for the Viceroy's entou[illegible] next week, some going to the Beng[illegible] Club, others to private hospitality. Mr. Ramsay Macdonald is as usual the guest of the Gourlays. The Commission began to take evidence this morning, but there was no public interest in the proceedings. The ordinary citizen is rather bored by the number of commissions which cater for his intellectual uplift. The Port Development Commission has been appointed at last. My forecast of the personnel was correct, except that Mr. Lyster of the P. W. D. has been added.

THE MARTIAL SPIRIT.

In his speech at the distribution of prizes at St. Xavier's College on Thursday, Sir William Duke, the Senior Member of Council, regretted that the Jesuit Fathers did not show the same enthusiasm for the boy scout movement as they did for volunteering. He said that it was his experience that in other local schools for the Domiciled the two things were worked together with good results. This may be true, but it is also true that the objection of the Jesuits and the Irish Christian Brothers to put a greater strain than volunteering on their pupils is meeting with more and more approval from parents. The boy scout drill, which entails much wandering in the streets of the town and suburbs is subversive of that strict discipline for which the Catholic schools are noted; to which is attributed much of their success at the examinations. Now it is the bitter complaint of the leaders of the Anglo-Indian community that the rising generation shows no inclination for academical distinction. It is a very odd boy who takes an University degree. It is also true that the number of candidates for the Higher Cambridge Locals is not increasing in Bengal. Such being the case it is not to be wondered at that the Government find it more and more difficult to provide billets for Anglo-Indian boys in the higher branches of the subordinate services which highly educated Indians are crowding. The same is true to a great extent of the commercial community. It cannot be denied that the craze for athletics has in many Anglo-Indian schools done infinite harm to the education of boys, but it has not impaired discipline. The cadet movement twenty years ago also interfered with the learning of lessons in class, but it also did not impair discipline. The boy scout movement, on the other hand, breaks the ordinary routine of play and study, and takes the pupils beyond the control and observation of the masters. When General Baden Powell started the movement at Home he did not want to get at the boarders in the great public schools, but at the casuals of the Board Schools. The boys entrusted to the care of the Jesuits in India belong to the former category, relatively speaking. That is why St. Xavier's will not join the boy scout movement. The remonstrance of Sir William Duke, which has provoked my dissertation, has created an uncomfortable feeling that the Educational Department looks askance at schools which do not go with the prevailing fashion, but I know that the suspicion is unfounded. Most of the educationists in this city are of the view that the boy scout craze is an unmitigated nuisance because the promoters will not confine themselves to the field staked out for them by its founder.

SPORT AND PLAY.

One of the stock entertainments of the past month or so came to an end during the week. I mean the highly amusing drama in the High Court over a barrister's clothes. A Mr. Freeman, whose front name is Neville entrusted the carriage to Calcutta of a box of clothes and other impediments to the P. and O. He then went off to Canada where he remained rather longer than he expected. In the meantime the precious box arrived here and was mistakenly delivered to a jute assistant named Freeman, whose Christian name was Nigel. Later on the true Freeman turned up. The P. and O. Co. repudiated responsibility and the injured constituent went to court. To the amazement of all lay folks the judge held that the Company was not to blame, nor the Port Trust, nor yet the Custom House. Who then? Why Nigel who is now in far-off Scotland. That is all the consolation Mr. Neville Freeman has got. The man in the street is sure now that the law is an ass. The other entertainment in the Police Court in which a Swedish merchant and a variety artist are the protagonists is working up to an exciting denouement. I should be able to tell you all about it next week. For an ordinary case of assault its duration is a record, and so is the interest it has excited among the "nuts" of the city.

THE PRINCE OF WALES.

NOTHING KNOWN IN DELHI OF VISIT TO INDIA.

The Delhi correspondent of the Associated Press wired yesterday:—

The interesting rumour in circulation in Bombay that the Prince of Wales is to visit India next cold weather is as yet only an intelligent anticipation of a not impossible event. Enquiries made in official circles at Delhi show that the Government of India know nothing of the matter.

The London University Senate passed a vote of thanks to the Chadwick Trustees for a further grant of £250 a year for three years for teaching in hygiene and municipal engineering at University College, and for their continuance of the award of the Chadwick medal.

SOUTH AFRICA COMMISSION.

INDIANS AND THE PERSONNEL.

VIGOROUS PROTEST FROM BOMBAY.

SIR P. MEHTA'S INCLUSION SUGGESTED.

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 16.

Meetings of Indians to protest against the personnel of the Commission of Inquiry have been held at Cape Town, Johannesburg, Kimberley and Potchefstroom.

The demand is made for the addition of Sir James Rose-Innes and Mr. Schreiner, or two other unprejudiced Africans of repute.—Reuter.

A BOMBAY PROTEST.

The following copy of a telegram sent by the South African Indian Committee, Bombay, to His Excellency the Viceroy, has been sent to us for publication :—

South African Indian Committee, Bombay, beg to express extreme public disappointment and feel bound to represent that the enquiry instituted by the Union Government will not command public confidence or allay public discontent in India if it is entrusted only to South Africa Colonials, however eminent. They submit that to secure absolute impartiality and weighty judgment, the appointment of one or more representative Indians on the Committee is essential, and they would suggest as before the name of Sir Perozeshah Mehta as one of them. Finally, my Committee earnestly request that during enquiry and for unfettered enquiry sentence of imprisonment on Messrs. Ghandi, Polak, Kallenbach and other leaders be suspended and no proceedings be commenced or continued against leaders till the enquiry is concluded. Pray above may be communicated to His Majesty's Government with Your Excellency's valuable support.

[Further references to the South African controversy will be found in Reuter's account of the Prime Minister's interview with the King and in the report of the speech delivered by Lord Willingdon at the meeting of his Council yesterday.]

A MADRAS MEETING.

DR. WHITEHEAD DISCUSSES THE SITUATION.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

MADRAS, Dec. 16.

Under the auspices of the Indian South African League, a public meeting was held yesterday to thank the Viceroy for his recent sympathetic assurrances about the conditions of Indians in South Africa, and to protest against the composition of the Committee appointed by the South African Union Government to go into the question.

The Lord Bishop of Madras presided.

In the course of his speech Dr. Whitehead said:—"I will say just a few words on some of the criticisms which have been levelled against the Viceroy in England and in South Africa. For many years the Government of India have tried patiently to secure justice for Indians in South Africa by diplomatic methods and have failed. And now that matters have been brought to a dangerous crisis, and all India is ablaze with fiery indignation, the time has come to put aside the soft phrases of diplomacy, to call a spade a spade and to tell the politicians of South Africa plainly how their action in this matter is regarded in India. We are deeply grateful to His Excellency that he has done this and has come forward at a critical time as the representative of the Indian people.

Then in the second place, His Excellency has been criticized for having encouraged men who are breaking the law. No sensible person would ever say a word to encourage law-breaking without a deep sense of responsibility. It is a platitude to say that society is built up on respect for law and order, but there is such a thing as tyranny masquerading under the form of law and when that is unhappily the case, resistence to law becomes not a crime but a virtue. I shrink from saying anything that may even seem to encourage lawlessness; but I think it is necessary to say quite plainly and openly that Indians in South Africa are now resisting not law but tyranny. They have been very patient for twenty years or more: they have pleaded for justice, and it is only after exhausting every other possible means of securing redress for their cruel wrongs that they have at last taken the step of passive resistance to unjust laws.

For the South African Government, therefore, to appeal to the duty of obedience to law seems to me to ignore the obvious fact that the just complaint of Indians for the last twenty years has been that the law has been made an engine of tyranny and injustice. It is all very well for the South African Government to say, "We cannot consider your grievances till you cease your resistance to the Law." Indians can say with far more reason, "We will cease resistance to your laws when you cease to make them instruments of oppression". In saying this I do not for a moment condone any acts of unprovoked violence that may have occurred on the part of Indians, but I must repeat, with regard to the outbreaks, what I have already said elsewhere that responsibility for them must rest mainly upon those who have provoked the conflict by injustice and cruelty."

The following resolutions were passed :—

"This meeting requests the Chairman to convey to Lord Hardinge the grateful thanks of the citizens of Madras for his sympathetic, statesmanlike and courageous pronouncement on the South African question.

That this meeting of the citizens of Madras notes with deep disgust and disappointment that a Committee just appointed by the South African Union Government is unsatisfactory in its composition and narrow in the scope of its inquiry.

THE FUND.

The South African Indian Fund, Bombay, Now amounts Rs. 1,50,875.

ÆGEAN ISLANDS.

IMPORTANT BRITISH PROPOSAL.

GREECE TO RETAIN THOSE ALREADY OCCUPIED.

LONDON, Dec. 16.

It is stated in Paris and Rome that Britain has proposed to the Powers that Greece be allowed to retain the Ægean Islands she occupies subject to guarantees regarding fortifications and contraband, except Imbros and Tenedos, which shall be returned to Turkey.

Secondly, that the extension of the time-limit for the Greek evacuation of Albania shall be granted, as the Delimitation Commission has failed to complete its work by the date fixed.

Thirdly, when Italy returns to Turkey the islands she occupies, guarantees shall be asked for their autonomy.

LONDON, Dec. 16.

The report that Britain had communicated with the Powers regarding the Ægean Islands and extension of the time-limit for the delimitation of Southern Albania is confirmed.

The French Government has already notified its acquiescence in Sir Edward Grey's standpoint.—Reuter.

THE TURKISH ARMY.

RESTRICTIONS ON THE GERMAN GENERAL.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 16.

Djemal Bey, acting commander of the first Army Corps, has been appointed Minister of Works, and has handed over his command to General Limat von Sanders.

The Grand Vizier has assured the Russian, French and British Ambassadors that the functions of General von Sanders will be strictly confined to purely technical questions and military training. Such matters as command of fortresses and the Straits, martial law and military courts outside his province, will be directly subject to the Ministry of War.—Reuter.

CHINESE vs. BRITISH CREWS.

IMPORTANT ACTION BY THE C.-P. R. COMPANY.

VICTORIA (B. C.), Dec. 16.

The Canadian-Pacific Railway is substituting Chinese for British crews on the Pacific liners "Empress of India" and "Empress of Japan" on the grounds of economy.—Reuter.

INDIAN CURRENCY.

DEBATE ON THE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY.

LONDON, Dec. 16.

Lecturing before the East India Association last night, Mr. Moreton Frewen severely condemned the currency policy of the Government of India, which he said, had thrown on the scrap-heap a beneficial system and, by depressing the value of silver savings, was an act of wholesale confiscation. He attributed to this the increasing cost of living both in India and in England, and predicted that a huge drain on the gold reserves to India would lead to a financial panic within two or three years, resulting in a great fall of gold prices in England without a corresponding fall in silver prices in India. He urged that the remedy was to work upwards by international arrangement to a joint standard system.

Sir Arthur Lawley who presided, said that the effect of currency changes on India had been given much less consideration by the lecturer than the effect on the rest of the world. The effects of India's absorption of gold had been enormously exaggerated, and, judged by every reasonable test, the policy of 1893 had been gaudily successful. The lecturer had misinterpreted its spirit and misunderstood its results.

Mr. Sundera Aiyer held that there ought not to be free coinage of gold in India without free coinage of silver also.

Mr. M. de P. Webb claimed that India had every right to follow the great nations of the world in providing a gold currency.

Lord Reay said that past events should teach all to be extremely cautious and moderate in opinion and prediction on this subject. Personally he regretted that Nature's gift of two precious metals had been disregarded by such widespread *demonetization* of silver; but now it was hopeless to look forward to rehabilitation by international agreement.—Reuter.

TRAINING FOR THE SERVICES.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY AND A SPECIAL CURRICULUM.

LONDON, Dec. 16.

Dr. Reginald Macan of Oxford, speaking at the Sphinx Club dinner, said the Public Services Commission had asked Oxford University authorities whether they would prepare a special curriculum with a degree at the end of it for specially selected candidates. These, instead of starting life in the Indian Services at about 24, would begin at about 18 or 19 He believed that the University would be prepared to meet the India Office on this point.—Reuter.

SIR LIONEL PHILLIPS.

JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 16.

The bullet which lodged in Sir Lionel Phillips's neck, has been extracted. The bullet in the liver will be left for some days.—Reuter.

Gas under high pressure is by far the cheapest and most powerful illuminant known and is particularly suitable for mills, big shops, godowns, railway stations, all large open spaces and streets.

RIVERS OF FIRE.

AWFUL VOLCANIC ERUPTION.

A DEVASTATED ISLAND.

MELBOURNE, Dec. 15.

The volcano on Ambrym Island (New Hebrides) has been active for many days. Six new craters were formed on December 6. Mount Minnie collapsed on Dec. 7., threatening a mission station and a hospital. The inhabitants took refuge in boats.

The lava overwhelmed buildings in villages on the north coast which were abandoned. There were no casualties among the small white population, but it is probable that many natives have perished.

The steamer "France" rescued 500 natives, mostly women and children, the able-bodied men having fled in canoes.

Fires have devastated the island which is covered with cinders. The rivers have been transformed into steams of burning lava.—Reuter.

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INDIAN EARTHQUAKE REPORT.

A slight local shock was recorded on the Simla seismograph at 1-46 a. m. to-day.

TUNNEL COLLAPSE.

PASSENGERS KILLED IN TRAIN SMASH.

DRESDEN, Dec. 15.

The Harrasfelsen tunnel collapsed owing to earth tremors. A train dashed into the tunnel and was wrecked, four passengers being killed and thirty-four injured.—Reuter

MARITIME DISASTER.

LOSS OF STEAMER WITH CREW OF 32 MEN.

LONDON, Dec. 16.

The German steamer "Narvik" has been found capsized at the mouth of the Ems. Apparently the crew of thirty-two men were drowned.—Reuter.

MEXICAN SITUATION.

GRAVE INDICTMENT AGAINST REBEL OFFICERS.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 15.

The defeat of the rebels at Tampico is confirmed. The Federals report that 800 rebels were killed by artillery and gunboat fire. It is probable that the rebels will re-attack the town.

Swarms of buzzards hovering over the battlefield at Tampico on Sunday had the appearance of low-lying black clouds.—Reuter.

MORE FAVOURABLE REPORT.

LONDON, Dec. 16.

Rear-Admiral Fletcher reports that business has been resumed at Tampico and that there are no indications of further disturbance.—Reuter.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.

Telegrams from El Paso say General Villa is virtually Dictator in Chihuahua. It is said that he has seized five million dollars, the property of foreigners, executed twenty Mexicans, commanded the Foreign Consuls to obey recent orders, and informed mercenants of all nationalities that they must contribute largely to the support of the rebels. These proceedings are displeasing to Washington, which has remonstrated with General Carranza, the rebel leader.—Reuter

OCCUPATION OF CHIHLI.

JAPAN OPPOSES THE RUSSIAN PROPOSAL.

TOKIO, Dec. 16.

It is semi-officially stated that Japan declines to agree to the Russian proposal that the foreign forces should be withdrawn from Chihli.—Reuter.

[Reuter wired from Peking on Dec. 12, that at a meeting of the Diplomatic Corps the Russian Minister proposed that an order had been restored in Chihli, and the Chinese Government was in a position to maintain order and protect foreign lives and property, the foreign forces should be withdrawn. He added that whether or not other Powers agreed, Russia was prepared to withdraw. The proposal completely surprised the Ministers, several of whom consider that the withdrawal is entirely premature and the execution of the proposal calculated to imperil the interests of their nationals and to lead to serious consequences.]

SUFFRAGETTE OUTRAGES.

THREE MORE SERIOUS ACTS OF ARSON.

LONDON, Dec. 15.

Suffragettes have burned Southern Leigh mansion at Bristol.

They have also burned a timber-yard at Devonport, much damage being done to adjoining property. The total damage is estimated at various amounts from £ 12,000 to £ 70,000.

Bluejackets and soldiers assisted the firemen.

ANOTHER CHURCH FIRED.

LONDON, Dec. 16.

Suffragettes, yesterday, set fire to Stannés Church at Aigburth, Liverpool. The south stalls were totally destroyed and the organ seriously damaged.—Reuter.

SYLVIA PANKHURST RELEASED.

Sylvia Pankhurst has been released.—Reuter.

OBITUARY.

LONDON. Dec. 15.

The death is announced of Mr. Martin Sutton.—Reuter.

[The late Mr. Sutton was a famous Agriculturist.]

PARIS, Dec. 16.

The death is announced of Leon Bollee, motor-car and aeroplane manufacturer.—Reuter.

THE HOME RULE SITUATION.

PREMIER AND THE KING.

MR. A. CHAMBERLAIN ON THE "CONVERSATIONS."

LONDON, Dec. 16.

Mr. Asquith had a long interview with the King yesterday. A prolonged Cabinet Council followed, which will be resumed to-morrow morning.

The statement as to the exchange of views on the Home Rule question appears to have originated in a dinner party given by Mr. Churchill, the guests including Lord Morley, Mr. Austen Chamberlain and Mr. F. E. Smith.

In a speech at Manchester yesterday evening, Mr. Austen Chamberlain said the air was full of rumours with regard to negotiations supposed to have been conducted at dinner parties, but the conversations of the Unionist Party could be conducted only through its leader. "I am not carrying on any private negotiations of my own," added Mr. Chamberlain.—Reuter.

LATER.

It is understood that Mr. Asquith discussed with His Majesty the question of Home Rule, and also the situation in South Africa and its effect in India —Reuter.

AN INTERESTING TOUR.

MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL TO VISIT FRANCE & GERMANY.

LONDON, Dec. 16.

Mr. Churchill will start on Friday on a visit to Paris and will go thence to Germany where he will stay three weeks. It is not known whether he will go to Berlin, but the tour of the author of the "Naval Holiday" proposal is exciting much interest.—Reuter.

THE LEEDS STRIKE.

STUDENTS AS STOKERS AND TRAM CONDUCTORS.

LONDON, Dec. 15.

A number of strikers have resumed work at Leeds. Students and clerks continue to act as stokers in the gasworks, while others are driving and working as conductors on tramcars.

SITUATION BECOMING WORSE.

LATER.

The situation in Leeds is becoming worse. Fierce conflicts are taking place between the strikers and the police, the latter making baton charges in which many police have been severely handled.

A score of boot factories dependent on gas engines are closed.—Reuter.

FIRE AT HISTORIC CASTLE.

BERLIN, Dec. 15.

One-third of the Grand-Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwerin's historic castle at Schwerin has been burned. Quantities of precious furniture, pictures, and tapestry were destroyed.—Reuter.

THE TOULON NAVAL CELEBRATION.

TOULON, Dec. 15.

Merchants to-day entertained 300 British and 300 French bluejackets. There were repeated cheers for Great Britain. The town was *en fete*.—Reuter.

NEW BATTLE CRUISER.

LONDON, Dec. 15.

The battle-cruiser "Tiger" was launched to-day at Clydebank. The vessel's displacement is 28,000 tons and her speed 28 knots. The "Tiger" carries eight 13 1-2 inch guns.—Reuter.

FIRES IN CALCUTTA.

MAHOMEDAN BURNED TO DEATH.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

CALCUTTA, Dec. 16.

A fire broke out in Kidderpore Docks on Sunday night, and a large quantity of jute was destroyed. Early on Monday morning there was also a jute blaze at Bhowanipore where damage to the extent of Rs. 3,000 was done.

In a fire at Garden Reach on Sunday night, the remains of a Mahomedan were found. It is assumed that he was asleep when the fire broke out and was suffocated before he could escape.

TO-DAY'S GARDEN PARTY.

In connection with the Garden Party at Government House to-day, it is notified by the Commissioner of Police that the carriages of those attending will enter by the upper gate and pass out by the lower.

Guests attending in motor-cars are informed that they should have licensed chauffeurs with their cars, which will not be permitted to remain in the grounds. No car or carriage will be allowed to overtake vehicles in front of them while passing along the lower drive. Full particulars of the notification are to be found in our advertisement columns.

PRIZE COMPETITION.

FOR LADY READERS.

The "BOMBAY GAZETTE" is offering a valuable prize to its lady readers. Full details of the competition will be found on page 9.

THE SERVICES.

OUR EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS.

EVIDENCE OF OFFICIALS FROM BURMA.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

CALCUTTA, Dec. 16.

The Royal Commission on Public Services in India resumed its sitting to-day. Lord Islington presided.

Four witnesses representing the Education Department, were examined to-day, one from Behar and three from Burma. While the Behar witness was examined, Mr. J. N. Dasa-Gupta, Professor, Presidency College, acted as a co-opted member. For the Burma witnesses the co-opted members were Messrs. S. W. Cocks, Inspector of Schools, Rangoon, and C. F. Munro, Inspector of Schools, Pegu Circle.

Rai Saheb B. Sahery, Provincial Education Service, Behar and Orissa, the first witness examined before the Commission, complained that the Provincial service had come to be regarded as an inferior service. In his opinion there should be two services. The Imperial service should be maintained only upon the provision that it included in its officers first-class honours men and not merely graduates. The services should be recruited irrespective of race. He also desired an improvement in the pay of the provincial service. As regards recruitment into the superior service, he would base candidates' qualifications solely on English or European University degrees, irrespective of race and he desired the reservation of the Provincial service for Indians.

Referring to the duties of Inspectors of Schools in his province, the witness said he got that appointment after being head-master of a training school for ten years. With the exception of himself there had not been hitherto an Indian in his province, who had attained to that position.

In reply to Sir Valentine Chirol the witness said:—

"I am of opinion that during the next fifty years it would be useful for India to get first-class honours men from English Universities to take service in the superior branch, for I am convinced that such men are distinctly superior to the products of Indian Universities at the present time. I know of many Indians who have taken high honours in the British Universities employed in the Provincial service. I protest against that. They ought to have been drafted directly into the Indian Education Service. There is no dearth of natives of India at the present time with English qualifications. Professors must come direct from England. That is my opinion."

Rai Saheb S. Sahay continuing, in reply to Mr. Rahim, said if there were natives of India with requisite European training he would give prior claims to them in the Education Department in preference to a European with similar qualifications. He would only under exceptional circumstances make a recommendation for direct recruiting of Indian University products with brilliant academic distinction to the Indian Education Service.

How many Beharee Indians are there in England at the present time?—A good many. There are now, I think at the present time not less than one hundred Beharees in England

So that the prejudice against going to England in your province is practically disappearing?—Yes. On the other hand the tendency to go to England is now on the increase.

WITNESSES FROM BURMA.

The second witness, Mr. W. G. Wedderspoon, Officiating Director of Public Instruction, Burma, had not sent in a memorandum and therefore wished to be examined on the memorandum submitted by the permanent Director.

In reply to Lord Islington witness said that teaching experience at Home was an admirable training for men coming to India. Posts in the Indian Educational Service should be made more widely-known at Home. They were not made sufficiently known at present and he did not know of any recognised system for making them known. He would maintain both the Imperial and Provincial services, but there should be no racial distinction. He deprecated the use of the term "higher service" as applied to the Imperial service. He held that the services were parallel.

What is the value of maintaining two services if they are parallel, and if there is to be no racial distinction?—Because I hold that no post in the Indian Educational Service should be held by any man who has not had a European Education.

It has been suggested to us by some witnesses that an inspector might be recruited from men of the Indian Civil Service. Do you think it would be advantageous?—I see no advantage whatever. I do not think that any member of the Civil Service has any educational experience in England.

It was said that selection should be made immediately after the competitive test?—I think that would be a disadvantage to us who are already members of the Education Service. University men already selected for the Indian Education Service are all men who have devoted some time at Home in teaching. I think in that event we might hereafter lose men who would have made admirable educationists more than that, we would be restricting our own field unnecessarily.

The third witness examined was Mr. M. Hunter, Indian Educational Service, Burma. He said, inter alia, the service in Burma was young and at present there was no grievance with regard to enrolment.

Mr. C. M. B. White, Assistant Director of Public Instruction, Burma, said he was educated in Burma and India. He thought the work performed by Provincial service men was generally of less importance than that done by the Indian Educational Service.

The witness said pay in the subordinate service ranged from Rs.15 to Rs. 400 per month. He did not think this range of pay was good enough to attract the best intellect of the country.

The Commission then rose for the day.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S SON.

LONDON, Dec. 15.

The son of Mr. Lloyd George is nearly convalescent.—Reuter.

THE BOMBAY COUNCIL.

LORD WILLINGDON ON SOUTH AFRICAN INDIANS' PROBLEM.

TIME LIMIT OF SPEECHES TO BE RETAINED.

FIRST READING OF THE IMPROVEMENT TRUST BILL POSTPONED BY GOVERNMENT.

Lord Willingdon appeared yesterday for the first time in the chair of the Legislative Council in Bombay and in his opening speech, which is fully reported below, he made some interesting and important announcements regarding procedure. Particularly significant was his statement that Government in future intended to allow all members, whether nominated or elected, to exercise full discretion according to their own convictions on all matters which came before the Council. The morning's sitting was fully occupied with the debate on the first reading of the Bill to amend the Karachi Port Trust Act, the point which attracted the attention of the members being the proposal to reduce the representation of the Karachi Municipality on the Board of Trustees from two members to one. This proposal was made on account of the failure of the Municipality to elect a representative of the Indian Mercantile community and it received the support of the President of the Karachi Municipality, who is one of the Sind members of the Legislative Council. The greater part of the afternoon was taken up by somewhat dull discussion on a bill which provides for control by Government on second-class irrigation works in the Presidency. The next item on the agenda was the first reading of the Bill to amend the Improvement Trust Act, but as the Bombay Municipal Corporation has not yet prepared the representation, which it desires to make on this Bill, the consideration of it was allowed to be postponed.

The following members were present:

The Hon. Sir Richard Lamb, the Hon. Mr. Claud Hill, the Hon. Mr. P. D. Patani, the Hon. the Advocate General the Hon. Mr. R. P. Barrow, the Hon. Mr. G. Carmichael, the Hon. Mr. Fazalbhoy Meherally Chinoy, the Hon. Mr. G. S. Curtis, the Hon. Dr. D. A. D'Monte, the Hon. Mr. R. W. L. Dunlop, the Hon. Mr. Kashinath Ramchandra Godbole, the Hon. Mr. W. L. Graham, the Hon. Sheikh Ghulam Hussein Hidayatallah, the Hon. Sir Jamsetji Jeejeebhoy, the Hon. Mr. Balkrishna Sitaram Kamat, the Hon Sardar Dulabawa Raisingji Thakor of Kerwada, the Hon Mr. Navroji Dorabji, Khandalavala the Hon. Mr. Jehanger H. Kothari, the Hon. Sardar Balchandra rav Annasaheb Patwardhan, Chief of Kurundwad, (Senior), the Hon. Sardar Sir Chinubhai Madhavlal, the Hon. Mr. J. A. D. McBain, the Hon. Mr. Lallubhai Samaldas Mehta, the Hon. Sir Pherozeshah Merwanjee Mehta, the Hon. Rao Saheb Venkatesh Shriniwas Naik, the Hon. Mr. W. U. Nicholas, the Hon. Rao Bahadur Ramanbhai Mahipatram Nilkanth, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Orr, the Hon. Mr. Raghunath Purshotham Paranjpye, the Hon. Mr. Gokuldas Kahandas Parekh, the Hon. Dr. Vithalbhai Jhaverbhai Patel, the Hon. Mr. Abdul Hussein Adamji Peerbhoy, the Hon. Sir Henry E. E. Procter the Hon. Moulvie Rafiuddin Ahmad, the Hon. Sir Ebrahim Rahimtoola, the Hon. Mr. Manmohandas Ramji, the Hon. Rao Bahadur Shriniwas Konner Rodda, the Hon. Rao Bahadur Ganesh Krishna Sathe, the Hon. Mr. Chimanlal Harilal Setalvad, the Hon. Mr. W. H. Sharp, the Hon Mr. W. D. Sheppard, the Hon. Mr. F. L. Sprott, the Hon. Mr. Shridhar Balkrishna Upasani, the Hon. Mr. Harchandrai Vishindas.

Her Excellency Lady Willingdon was present at the meeting sitting in the space reserved at the back of the Hall for visitors Her Excellency was accompanied by Lady Mabe Egerton, Miss Egerton, Miss Buxton Miss Beaumont-Nesbitt, Capt. Vaughan A.-D.-C., and Lieut. Egerton, R.N.

THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.

H. E. ON THE BANK CRISIS AND SOUTH AFRICA.

His Excellency Lord Willingdon, in opening the proceedings of the Council, said:—

I should like to extend a very cordial greeting to every honourable member this morning and trust that our work may be productive of the best results to the people of this Presidency. I am anxious, before we go on to the business of the day, to make a very few observations to honourable members, particularly with regard to two matters of public importance which, for the past few weeks and months, have deeply affected the minds of the people of India. I refer first of all to the very grave financial situation that has arisen owing to the unfortunate failures of certain banking institutions in this country; and in the second place I wish to refer to the intense concern which has been felt by every citizen in this country owing to the unfortunate position of their fellow citizens in South Africa.

Now it is not my business, nor is it my wish, and it would be most improper for me for obvious reasons to make a detailed reference to either of these matters. But I am entitled to say that I trust most sincerely—in fact I hope and believe—we shall find in both these matters before long a very satisfactory outlook. Let me further assure the honourable members with regard to the former, that Government has throughout kept itself in the closest touch with events and will, if and when necessary, take all possible steps to ensure that complete restoration of confidence, which is absolutely necessary for the welfare of this great commercial city.

With Indians in regard to South Africa, I will make just this remark that I feel we have absolute confidence in His Excellency the Viceroy and his Council to do their utmost to secure a just and fair settlement of what is in all its aspects a truly Imperial question. (Hear, hear.)

COUNCIL PROCEDURE.

There is another matter regarding which I wish to say a few words, and that has to do with our procedure. I think it will be within the recollection of most honourable members of this Council that when we last met at Poona, my honourable friend, Sir Pherozeshah Mehta, raised the question of the desirability of extending the time-limit for speeches at our general budget debate; and although I did not give him a very encouraging reply, I assured him that Government would go into the whole question and consider it seriously. I have now to say that, though I do not want to discourage the hon. member, we have seriously considered the question and for reasons which I will give, have come to the conclusion that the time allowed for speeches is sufficient.

The reasons for our conclusion are these: I honestly think that most honourable members will be sufficiently convinced that in the first place owing to the present arrangement which was arrived at last July, the Finance Committee now meets before Christmas and in fact they have already met. They discuss the Budget before it comes up to the Government of India for final settlement, with the result that they can influence considerably and particularly in its final form the Budget before it comes before the Executive. I must say that under the circumstances it seems to me that the discussion of the Budget affairs in July, after they have been finally passed, is not a very practical one, and that half an hour for the movers of the debate in the Budget and twenty minutes for the other speakers would seem amply sufficient.

There is one further observation in regard to this matter and it is this that Government has come to the conclusion —and honourable members will agree —that the best way of bringing up matters of individual interest within the four corners of the Budget will be by means of resolutions. So much for the matter of the time-limit of debate on the Budget.

QUESTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Now I want to say a few words as to questions and resolutions. It has come to our notice that many honourable members send up their questions without fully realising the rules under which those questions should be framed. The questions should be submitted for the purpose of securing information on matters of fact. There should not be any suggestion of the action to be taken by Government. We find that honourable members frequently do not adhere strictly to that standpoint, and we have come to the conclusion that for the convenience of honourable members, it will simplify work in the department if we decided that the Secretary to the Legislative Council shall, in future, be the sole authority as to the form of every question, before it goes to the department—by that I mean that any honourable member, if he is not quite sure of the form in which the question may be asked, can either send it, or go personally, to the Secretary of the Legislative Council and get the form absolutely right. Then it will go in the ordinary way to the department.

I think every member will agree that this will mean a real saving of time to various members and convenience to departments concerned.

FREEDOM IN VOTING.

I have now to say one word more about the resolutions We propose in the same way that resolutions should be sent to the Secretary of the Legislative Council so that they may be corrected under the rules laid down. I am very anxious to increase the interest in our debates, to make discussions more live and real, and to get a more free and independent expression of views on the various matters that come up in resolutions by various members. With that object in view Government has decided that in future, as to resolutions, every honourable member, be he elected or nominated, will be free to speak and vote as his judgment and conscience bid him. I hope this remark will meet with the approval of honourable members.

I am glad to be able to say that I am fully aware of the high character which this Council holds and has held for its business-like manner of conducting its work. I have every confidence that my honourable friends in future will take this decision in the same spirit in which it is given and assist Government in every possible way to uphold and continue to uphold that high character for debate which has always been to the great credit of our Council.

The business of the Council was then proceeded with.

PROPERTY LAW AMENDMENT.

The Hon. Mr. P. D. Pattani moved the postponement of the second reading of the Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to the formal recognition of heirs and the appointment of administrations of property by the Courts in the Bombay Presidency.

In support of his motion, the honourable member said that it was proposed to consult the Honourable the Chief Justice and Judges of the High Court and the District Judges on the question whether a Bill of this nature is any longer required in this Presidency, and District Judges will be requested to supply statistics regarding the extent to which Regulation VIII of 1827 is at present used in the Mofussil. After referring to the history of the question and the undertaking of the Bill the honourable member proceeded to say:—

I should like to add that in any event the care and ability with which the Bill has been examined and revised by the Select Committee and the Officers who have been consulted will not be wasted away because, firstly, they have helped to elucidate this rather intricate subject, and secondly, they have dis-

covered defects in the Succession Certificate Act 1889, which will in any case be brought to the notice of the Government of India in due course.

The motion was agreed to.

KARACHI PORT TRUST.

The Hon'ble Mr. Claude Hill introduced a Bill to amend the Karachi Port Trust Act, which he described as a milestone on the way of progress of the port of Karachi, and to make the administration of the port approximate more closely with the methods employed in Bombay. Karachi had grown so rapidly in the past there is no longer any need for any great distinction between its regulations and those of a large port like Bombay. Twelve years ago the income of the Port Trust was some eight lakhs, this year the Port Trust had an income of 45 lakhs. This was so phenomenal an advance and the administration report by its Trustees had continued to be so satisfactory that it was possible now to remove a number of restrictions which did not obtain in Bombay. The only provision in the Bill which might be expected to raise any discussion was clause 3, by which it was proposed to reduce representation on the Port Trust of Karachi Municipality from two to one. Karachi, he pointed out, was the only Municipality with which the Port Trust was associated andwhichhad directly elected representation on the Board. It was not unreasonable therefore, he considered on this ground alone, the Municipality it was expected should elect a person who was connectedwith Indian commerce but they had failed to do so.

The Hon. Sheth Gulam Hussein Hidayatullah, supporting the motion, said that under the existing Karachi Port Trust Act the Karachi Municipality had elected two members, who were both on most of the occasions lawyers and not one of them belonged to the mercantile community. At the last election the Indian mercantile community of Karachi made a grievance of it and protested against this action of the Karachi Municipality. The present Bill had very rightly redressed that legitimate grievance. In fact, he could not conceive why the Municipality should have even one representative on the Port Trust. No other Municipality—not even the Bombay Municipality—had any representative on the Bombay Port Trust and he suggested that the other seat might also be given to the Indian mercantile community, to be filled up by election.

The Hon. Mr. Nichols said that the Karachi Port Trust was very much bound up with the Karachi Municipality. The grievance against the Corporation was that for several years they had not elected a member who representedIndian commercial interests. The feeling of the Indian mercantile community had been one of gratitude to Government for giving them an opportunity for such representation and the European mercantile community would welcome an Indian mercantile representative on the Board.

Sir Pherozeshah Mehta said that objection had been taken because a lawyer had been elected to represent the Municipality. His contention was that a lawyer in the ordinary course of his practice massed such a cosmopolitan knowledge of practical affairs that he was able to understand mercantile questions better than the merchant himself.

The Hon. Mr. Graham said that the mercantile community preferred to be represented by one of themselves and the Hon. Mr. Harkishandas speaking as a lawyer and as president of the Karachi Municipality thoroughly endorsed the provisions in the Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Claude Hill said that a request had been made that the bill might be allowed to pass through all its stages that day as an urgent matter, but an objection having been made by Sir Pherozeshah Mehta and which was supported by the Hon. Mr. C. H. Setalvad that the standing orders of the Council should not be set aside except under very exceptional circumstances which they contended did not exist in this case. Government agreed to allow the Bill the ordinary course.

BOMBAY IRRIGATION ACT.

INTRODUCED BY SIR RICHARD LAMB.

Sir Richard Lamb introduced a Bill further to amend the Bombay Irrigation Act, 1879. The object of the Bill, he explained, was to make provision for the exercise of control over the management of certain second-class irrigation works, of which there was a large number in the Presidency. These were originally constructed and maintained by the people themselves, who contributed to the cost of maintenance and repair and regulated the supply among the contributors by mutual consent. In many cases the people had failed to manage these works satisfactorily, and it had become necessary for Government to assume their control. This state of affairs, the speaker remarked was due to the slackening of communal ties and the growth of individualism among the people, so thatvery often the individual was unwilling to make an effort for the communal good.

THE DEBATE.

In the debate on this Bill a large number of Indian members took part.

Amongst these the Hon. Mr. Rodda said that many tanks were in a state of disrepair and neglect because the Government were not aware that they did not belong to private persons; many of these were probably constructed by former Governments, as they were of such a character that they could not have been provided by small villages. He would like to see all tanks without exception under the control of Government.

The Hon. Mr. Godbole moved an amendment that it was desirable to continue the present system as far as practicable. Owing to a change of circumstances, he pointed out, over which the irrigators had no control, the management had become defective in certain respects. The proposed regulation should aim at removing the defects which had appeared, without taking the management away from the irrigators. It also seemed to him unfair, in view of the system of management of some other irrigation works in the Presidency, to throw the whole burden of the cost of repairs of these second-class irrigation works entirely upon the irrigators.

The Hon. Mr. Godbole said he did not wish to press his amendment, provided he were assured that his objections would be fully considered.

Sir Richard Lamb said he would be pleased to invite the hon. members to sit on the Select Committee, and on the understanding the amendment was withdrawn.

THE HON. MR. GURDAS

The Hon. Mr. G. S. Gurdas said Mr. Godbole had been a great advocate of the measures which were proposed in this Bill, in fact, it was Mr. Godbole's Bill and no other's. Objection had been taken to the extension of parts of the Irrigation Act; but he thought it was obvious that the people who committed wilful or wanton damage to irrigation works should be punished in respect of minor works as well as major works.

Sir Richard Lamb thought the Bill had been little criticised.

The Governor expressed his pleasure at the reception of the Bill. He said he received one shock during the debate; from the disclosure which was made by Mr. Curtis, it seemed that Mr. Godbole, who at present appeared to be the principal opponent of the Bill, was at a time when he was a valuable servant of the Government, the author of a report which proved him to be the real parent of the Bill. It was a pity that he should disavow his own child, but it was to be hoped that when he sat on the Select Committee he would show more affection to his infant. (Laughter.)

The Bill was read a first time and was referred to a select committee.

CITY IMPROVEMENT ACT.

INTRODUCED BY THE HON. MR. PATTANI.

The Hon. Mr. P. D. Pattani introduced the Bill further to amend the City of Bombay Improvement Act for the purpose of strengthening the financial position of Trust by surtax on transfers of property. He said the object of the Bill was to amend the City of Bombay Improvement Act of 1898 so to provide that body with additional funds for the furtherance of its great work in improving the sanitary conditions of Bombay. After explaining the clauses of the Bill the hon. member proceeded to remark that the controversial issue narrowed itself down to the single point, whether an increase in the duty on certain transfers of property was the best means of providing the additional funds which were required. He next gave a brief resume of the financial position of the Improvement Trust "vis a vis" with the demands made upon it for slum improvement, and then outlined the reasons which had led Government to prefer the increased duty on the transfer of immoveable property to the other expedients which had been suggested for the provision of the necessary funds. The resources of the Improvement Trust, he said, were in very large measure indeed, hypothecated by the great programme of works which it has undertaken. No large and continuous new programme could be inaugurated until the funds at its disposal were augmented. Yet it was agreed that outside this programme there was a great work to be accomplished in improving the accommodation provided for an important reform of the poorer classes in the city. There was no sanitary work in the Presidency whose importance had been more vigorously impressed upon Government than that of raising the standard of the housing accommodation of the poor of Bombay. Quite apart from the general responsibility which lay on them towards the industrial proletariat, this question demanded their earnest attention, because it was obvious that the capacity of the Indian industries to withstand the competition of their rivals must be largely conditioned by the physical efficiency of the labour force.

A POINT OF FINANCE.

The Bombay Municipality had already "represented" areas under the Improvement Trust Act whose improvement on the scale hitherto adopted would involve a capital expenditure of three crores of rupees. It was upon this basis that the Trust had asked for and the Municipality had endorsed the request, an annual addition to its funds of four and a half lakhs of rupees. It was true that since this estimate was made certain alternative proposals were framed for the improvement of insanitary property without resorting to the drastic and very costly expedient of demolition, and a committee was now sitting to inquire into the feasibility of these proposals. But even assuming that a cheaper form of improvement than demolition is adopted, the total cost would not be reduced, for the rise in the value of house property, materials and labour, had been so large that the work which could have done a few years ago for three crores would now cost five crores.

EASILY COLLECTED TAX.

The increased property tax would be easy of collection, for it was a surtax, not a new tax. The yield would be fairly constant—probably about Rs. 3·70 lakhs a year—slightly less than the estimated product of the cotton transit duty, but steady. It would fall on the shoulders of those best able to bear it—the wealthy citizens of Bombay, and not the ryots of the cotton tracts. And of those citizens it would be paid by the property owners, who had derived, and would continue to derive, the greatest benefit from the operations of the Improvement Trust. Moreover they had a precedent for the imposition of this surtax in the practice of the Calcutta Improvement Trust where such a surtax formed part of the general resources of that body.

THE CASE FOR DELAY.

Since, however, the Bill was published, a request had been made by the Bombay Municipal Corporation asking for further time to consider the proposal and to make representation thereon The Hon. Sir Pherozeshah Mehta, the father of the Corporation, had given notice for supporting that request and if this view is strongly pressed in this Council to-day, Government was prepared to accede to it so far as to postpone the first reading until the March session. But it must be clearly understood that if this course was followed, the Bill would be, in any circumstances, taken up in March, so that it would be necessary for the Municipal Corporation to expedite the submission of any representation which it might wish to make. With this explanation of the position of Government he begged leave to move the first reading of the Bill.

FIRST READING POSTPONED.

The Hon. Sir Pherozeshah Mehta moved the postponement of the first reading of the Bill. He believed that the Council would accede to the propriety of the request which the Bombay Municipal Corporation had made for time to make representation on the question affected the whole arrangement between the Government, the Corporation and the Improvement Trust in regard to the responsibility placed on the shoulders of the latter. It was opposed to principle that any party having financial adjustments which had been arrived at by the parties concerned. The Bill marked an entirely new departure from the arrangement that had been arrived at by the various bodies.

His Excellency the Governor said that it was desirable to give an opportunity to the Corporation to express their views and he thought that there was no objection to time being given to the Corporation to send in their representation.

The motion for the postponement of the first reading was agreed to and the Council adjourned until 11-30 to-day.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

EDUCATION IN SALSETTE.

The questions put to Government and the replies given to hon. members were as follows :

The Hon. Dr. D. A. D'Monte, M.D., asked :—Will Government be pleased to state whether the two experimental schools started in Salsette for the education of Indian Catholic children have proved successful, and whether it is intended to establish more schools of the type in the immediate future ?

Government replied :—The two experimental schools referred to by the Hon. Member are reported to be in a satisfactory condition. In addition to these schools there are at present 19 other schools of the same type on the aided list. It is reported that these 21 schools are sufficient to meet present requirements. The District Local Board o Thana will be asked to consider the question of opening more schools of the kind should the necessity for such an extension become apparent.

The Hon. Member also inquired :—Have Government considered the desirability of establishing in connection with the Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy Hospital a Nursing Home for paying patients (like the one connected with the St. George's European General Hospital) ; if so, will they be pleased to state what steps are being taken to establish such a Home ?

No such proposal, it was stated, has yet been made or considered.

In reply to a series of questions regarding lepers Government said that proposals for the establishment in connection with the several leper asylums of "nurseries" for the untainted children of leprous parents have been called for and will in due course be considered.

MANUFACTURE OF MATCHES.

Rao Bahadur R. M. Nilkanth asked:—Will Government be pleased to state whether they would take any steps to compensate the Match Factories in the Bombay Presidency which have suffered heavy loss in consequence of their machinery being suddenly rendered useless by the enactment of the White Phosphorus Matches Prohibition Act, 1913, in view of the fact that the machinery employed in these factories for the manufacture of white phosphorus matches cannot be utilised for the manufacture of other kinds of matches?

The reply was :—The loss to manufacturers consequent on the enactment of the White Phosphorus Matches Prohibition Act is inevitable, and the grant of compensation in such cases has not been provided for by the legislature and does not appear to be a matter in respect of which the interests affected have any valid claim on the public purse.

Government replying to the Thakor of Kerwada stated that the Agricultural Department propose to establish an experimental farm in the Broach District, where in due course measures will be taken to selectand distribute improved cotton seed on the lines adopted in the Surat District. It is impossible to rely on hand-ginning for a sufficient supply of seed, but an apparatus has been devised which removes inferior and damaged seeds from factory ginned seed.

HANDWRITING EXPERT.

The Hon. Mr. Raghunath Purshottam Paranjpye asked questions in reference to two trials at Poona and was informed that by the case of N. V. Sathe the Honourable Member probably means that of Govind Narayan Sathe. It is not quite accurate to say that this case was continually postponed for nearly three years to allow the handwriting expert to be present. The case lasted in all for less than two years. Nearly 19 months delay, however, was occasioned by the difficulty of obtaining the evidence of the Government handwriting expert. The expert appeared and gave evidence in the Committing Magistrate's Court, but not in the Sessions Court.

The case of V. V. Kulkarni was delayed by nearly a year for the same reason. In both of these cases the expert, in the end, failed to appear, and the accused were acquitted or discharged.

The question of obtaining the services of an expert in handwriting who can be relied upon to appear when wanted is engaging the attention of Government.

THE FINANCIAL CRISIS.

The Hon. Mr. V. J. Patel asked :—Will Government be pleased to say whether they propose to take any steps to inquire into the causes leading to the present financial crisis in the Presidency, and if so what ?

The reply was : Government has no present intention of taking any steps.

In answer to the same hon. member Government promised to consider the question of the alleged hardships suffered by passengers on the coasting steamers of the Bombay Steam Navigation Co. Ltd. and the British India Steam Navigation Co.

COTTON MANUFACTURE IN BOMBAY.

Replying to Sir Ebrahim Rahimtoola, Government gave the following statistics :—

The total quantity of cotton consumed in the Mills in Bombay is as below :—

		Cwt.
1903	...	33,38,612
1904	...	33,22,776
1905	...	33,99,027
1906	...	39,85,715
1907	...	38,28,781
1908	...	36,30,765
1909	...	37,22,001
1910	...	32,80,453
1911	...	33,33,990
1912	...	33,98,681

Government have no information at their disposal which would enable them to say how much of this cotton is of Indian and how much of foreign origin.

The same memoer was informed that since the Haj Committee have taken the step of advertising sailings in the vernacular press the duration of the pilgrim's stay in Bombay is ordinarily from 3 to 8 days.

DACOITY IN THE DECCAN.

Rao Bahadur Sathe asked :—Will Government be pleased to state whether they propose to consider the necessity of providing guns to outlying Police Stations in view of the fact that a dacoity recently took place at Pangri, Taluka Barsi, in the Sholapur District, where there is a Sub-Inspector and a party of policemen permanently stationed, who were powerless to oppose the dacoits, the latter being armed with guns ?

Government replied that inquiries are being made.

In reply to the Hon. Mr. J. P. Orr regarding the closeness of the Bandra and Chenchavli toll-houses on the Bandra-Ghorbander Road, it was stated that the Chenchavli toll-bar would be moved to a point which is more than ten miles from the Bandra bar.

THE COPYRIGHT BILL.

VIEWS OF THE BOMBAY TRADES ASSOCIATION.

The Secretary of the Bombay Presidency Trades Association has addressed the following letter to the Government of Bombay on the subject of the proposed Bill to amend the Copyright Act, 1911:—

With reference to your No. 8626 of the 28th ultimo, I am directed by my Committee to put the following additions to the representation they have already submitted to Government on the subject of the Bill to modify and add to the provisions of the Copyright Act, 1911.

My Association would respectfully invite the notice of Government to the recommendation recently made by the Publishers' Association of Great Britain and Ireland and endorsed by the Society of Authors to the following effect, vide the Publishers' Circular of October 25, 1913, which reads as follows :—

"Copyright Act, 1911, section 2 (iv). The council have had this Section of the Copyright Act under consideration, and have come to the conclusion that it will be to the interest of everyone concerned if any publisher proposing to make use of copyright matter in a school book, in accordance with the provisions of the Act, gives notice of his intention to the owner of the copyright. The council consider that vexatious litigations may be avoided if there is a general understanding as to what constitutes a "short passage" from a published literary work and they resolved to recommend as follows :—

(1) That a "short passage" from a prose work should not exceed one thousand words.

(2) That a "short passage" from a poetical work should not exceed one hundred lines.

Provided that a "short passage" should not in either case contain more than one-third of the complete poem, essay, address, story or other literary work from which it is extracted.

The Society of Authors have approved of the foregoing resolutions."

One other point is that in connection with the proviso permitting translations of copyright works to be published five years from the date of publication of the original on the condition that two years' notice be given of intention to publish such a translation in India. They beg to suggest that the period in question is not long enough to theowner of the copyright. There are circumstances in which the publication of a vernacular edition may injure the English one. In such a case, it is conceivable that such a clause, especially in the case of a slow-selling book, would result in considerable loss on the original edition to the publishers. They therefore strongly urge that the term of years be increased from 5 to 10 at the least, if not more.

Another matter which would seem to affect publishers and booksellers is Chapter 2, Clause 4, regarding translation of books published in British India.

My Committee would point out that the books published by certain publishers in India are mostly Educational Text Books and Readers for use in schools and colleges and anticipating a sale extending over years the books are issued at a very low rate and the profit on them are very small indeed. If any one is at liberty to issue translations of these books after five years the value of the book will be considerably affected, and in future such books would have to be published at higher rates. After all the Government of India pays for a large percentage of such books as they are mostly used in schools wholly or partly supported by Government. In the circumstances, my Committee are of opinion that this clause should not be applied to educational books or that the period mentioned 5 years, be extended to 10 years, in consideration of the fact that the publisher will always issue translations of such books if he finds there is a demand for them and it therefore is not necessary to apply this portion of the Act to educational books.

IN MEMORY OF CLIVE.

STATUE UNVEILED BY MEMBER OF HIS FAMILY.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

CALCUTTA, Dec. 16.

An interesting function took place this afternoon when, in the presence of the Governor of Bengal and a large and distinguished gathering, Sir Charles Bayley, one of the few surviving relatives of Clive, unveiled the statue to the memory of this distinguished Anglo-Indian.

The ceremony included the opening of the Victoria Memorial collection of Indian historical pictures and other treasures which have been transferred to Belvedere, the now vacated residence of the Lieutenant-Governors of Bengal.

"That great man who, when it had become inevitable the Empire of India must be transferred to England, or to France, decided the matter in a way fortunate for us and fortunate also, we would believe for India," was how Lord Carmichael referred to Lord Clive in his speech at the ceremony.

MOSLEM MISSION TO ENGLAND.

A public meeting will be held under the auspices of the Anjumane Zia-Ul Islam, on Saturday at 9. p.m (S. T.) at Kapad Wanj, Wadi. Tordeo, to receive Messrs. Syed Vazir Hassan, Honorary Secretary of the All-India Muslim League and Mahomed Ali, Editor of the *Comrade*, with a view to hear them with regard to their Mission to England. Mr. Mahomed Ali Jinnah (Barat-Law) will preside.

To act in the words of Lord Crewe, as "a clearing-house of ideas" on all matters relating to motor transport throughout the Empire, the Imperial Motor Transport Council has been formed.

NEWS LATER THAN THE MAIL.

CHICAGO SUN WORSHIPPERS.

HIGH PRIEST CONVICTED.

The following messages, which appear in the Australian papers are later than the mail :—

Chicago, Nov. 29.

A Turk named Hamish, high priest of the Mazdaznaf cult of Sun Worshippers, has been found guilty after a lengthy trial of sending objectionable literature through the mails. He is liable to a sentence of five years.

The books read at the trial indicated that the cult, which claims a large following in the Eastern cities, advocates methods by sun baths and herbal remedies which are to produce human perfection.

Certain practices, including objectionable dances brought High Priest Hamish into conflict with the Federal authorities, and he was prosecuted. The Chicago following includes a number of wealthy women. His sentence is deferred.

IRISH TRAGEDY.

INFANT SHOT IN MOTHER'S ARMS.

London, Dec. 1.

An extraordinary tragedy occurred yesterday at Kilgarven, near Athlone, in Roscommon. On Saturday night a shot was fired through the window of a farmhouse, killing an infant in its mother's arms and wounding—it is feared fatally—the mother herself. Her father, whose name is Tom Hickey, hurried off to Athlone to obtain assistance, but never reached the town and his dead body riddled with shot, was found on Sunday morning in a drain.

Hickey's son John, who lately returned from America, has been arrested on suspicion. The murders are attributed to a family dispute about land.

FRENCH ARMY NEGLECT.

Paris, Nov. 30.

In the Senate yesterday an animated debate occurred on the Bill to authorise the raising of a national loan of £52,000,000 at 3 per cent. for defence purposes.

Senator Lefevre, a member of the Radical party, and formerly a Cabinet Minister, caused a sensation by stating that at the time of the Morocco difficulty with Germany the French troops in Morocco had a very scanty supply of ammunition, and were not in a position to back up the diplomacy of the Government. When the Kaiser landed at Tangier the French army had only 703 cartridges for each rifle.

The Premier, M. Barthou, admitted that at times the army had been neglected, and it was now necessary to make up for lost time.

A BAVARIAN WARNING TREATIES.

Berlin, Nov. 30.

The Premier of the Kingdom of Bavaria, in a speech to the Diet at Munich yesterday, declared that there must be a pause in the increase of Germany's armament—a pause extending over many years. The people were absolutely unable to bear further taxation burdens.

BRITISH ANTI-SLAVERY.

London, Dec. 1.

A memorial bearing the signatures of many influential persons have been presented to the Prime Minister, Mr. Asquith, asking him to undertake the modernisation of England's anti-slavery treaties and to appoint additional consuls in tropical and subtropical regions, in order that slavery may be more effectively checked.

CONSPIRATOR'S FATE.

Constantinople, Dec. 1.

Further developments have occurred in respect to the case of Kavalky Mustapha, one of the conspirators who assassinated Shefket Pasha, the Sultan's Grand Vizier, some months ago. Russia demanded the release of Kavalky, because Amin Bey, Prefect of Police, secured him on board a Russian ship by falsely assuring the Russian Consul that Kavalky was wanted for an ordinary crime—not for a political offence.

Kavalky was court-martialled and sentenced to death two days ago; and now it is officially stated he has committed suicide in his cell. It is believed, however, that he succumbed under the police methods of extorting information concerning the doings of Savadoin and other opponents of the present regime. Kavalky was regarded as their emissary.

There are indications that Russia will insist on a rigid inquiry into Kavalky's death.

PARISIAN JEWEL ROBBERY.

Paris, Nov. 30.

A lady driving in a hack cab a couple of days ago left in it a handbag containing jewels worth £2,000. The police yesterday identified and arrested the cabman and made a search raid on the house of a cousin, with whom he lodged. Here they discovered in an oven the ashes of the missing handbag, its half-smelted metal mountings, and a few gems which had been badly burnt.

ITALIAN RUNS AMOK.

Paris, Nov. 30.

An Italian named Giarelli, employed in a restaurant, was seized with madness yesterday at the Nice railway station, and ran amok. Drawing a knife he sprang from a train to the platform and slashed furiously among the alighting passengers. He wounded 10 persons before he was disarmed and secured.

ADMIRALTY AIRSHIP.

London, Dec. 1.

After first refusing the Britannia Airship Committee's offer of an airship on the ground that another design is preferable, the Admiralty will now accept it in accordance with the committee's suggestion. The acceptance will depend on the trials proving it possesses an actual naval value.

ENGLISH LIBERALS' WARNING.

London, Nov. 29.

The English Unionist newspapers view with grave concern the Prime Minister's "full speed ahead" declaration at Leeds.

The "Manchester Guardian," the most influential and unwavering provincial newspaper supporting the Asquith Government, yesterday issued a significant warning to it on the Home Rule question. The "Guardian" advises the Ministry not to let the last hours run out before making up their minds as to the lines on which their suggestions in regard to Ulster may proceed. The Liberals are not prepared to go the full length of asserting the national authority unless they are sure that all the resources of statesmanship have been exhausted.

Mr. LLOYD GEORGE'S REPLY.

London, Nov. 30.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Lloyd George, speaking last night to a deputation of Scotland

way to the delegates of the Liberal Associations, said Mr. Bonar Law's Dublin speech was the old Tory trick. Whenever the people were discontented the Tories raised another topic, the land question being confused with Ulster. When Tories pretended to shed their blood for religious freedom and peace it was nauseous hypocrisy. If fighting did begin it would not be all one side.

He concluded by references to the leasehold system and to housing. The Tories were out, he said, to catch and pluck a gull. The Liberals were out to feed the hungry.

REFORMING THE LORDS.

London, Nov. 29.

It is announced that Parliament will reassemble during the week commencing January 18. The Government will submit resolutions respecting the reconstitution of the House of Lords, and an autumn session is foreshadowed.

MARCONI LIBELS SEQUEL.

London, Nov. 30.

The "National Review," which led the attack on the Postmaster-General, Mr. Samuel, and Lord Murray, of Elibank, then First Liberal Whip, in respect to the Marconi shares scandal, now announces that it has made some remarkable disclosures.

The "Review" alleges that Fenner, the bankrupt stockbroker whom Lord Murray trusted to make an investment of Liberal party funds in Marconi shares, had the handling of £66,000 of the party's funds in March and April, 1911. This money was invested through Fenner, and by July, 1912, he had stolen £79,000, but was allowed to remain in business until he had squandered £140,000.

AMERICAN RAILWAYS.

Washington, Nov. 29.

The Commissioner of Commerce has issued a bulletin which shows an increase of 140 in the number of persons killed on American railways during the quarter ended June 30. There was an increase of 8,000 in the number injured. Three thousand five hundred derailments occurred during the period, the total killed numbered 2,635 and the injured 50,000.

THE TERM "AMERICAN."

Washington, Nov. 29.

A sensation was caused at a luncheon yesterday at which Central American diplomats were present, when Senator Chamberlain announced that he would under a circumstances vote for justice to Colombia, referring to its separation from the State of Panama. The party broke up in silence after Senator Chamberlain's declaration.

Bishop Currier, of Cuba, during the luncheon declared that the time had come when the term "American" should apply to the whole continent, North and South.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

ITALY BUYING BATTLESHIPS.

London, Nov. 29.

The "Daily Telegraph" states that the Italian Government has arranged to purchase from Brazil the battleship Rio de Janeiro, which has been built to Brazilian order in the Elswick yards.

PICTURES FOR MELBOURNE.

London, Nov. 29.

The trustees of the Felton bequest to the Melbourne Art Gallery have made two purchases for it. For Millais' painting of Daina Vernon, heroine of Sir Walter Scott's novel "Rob Roy," £700 has been paid, and for Stott's "Returning Home" £150.

SPANISH POISONING FATALITY.

Madrid, Nov. 29.

At Fuentes Ovejuna, near Cardova, 105 men have been poisoned in the lead works. Thirteen have succumbed, and many are in a critical condition.

ENGLISH DIOCESAN FINANCE.

London, Nov. 30.

In nearly every diocese in England schemes of finance in connection with voluntary funds for various Church purposes have been formulated in accordance with recommendations made by the Archbishops' committee in 1911.

THE CREDIT BANK.

PROGRESS OF THE KARACHI PROSECUTION.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

KARACHI, Dec. 16.

The hearing of the case in which the manager of the local branch of the Credit Bank and three Karachi pleaders are charged by the Manipur police with manipulating the bank's accounts after the bank had closed its doors, was resumed to-day.

Mr. S. T. Hutcheson, Agent of the Karachi branch of the Bank of Bombay said the proposal of the transfer of moneys between Tulsidas and the depositors was justifiable, apart from the Agent's letter; but the letter written by the Agent was, in his opinion, not justified by the circumstances. He said "During my banking experience I have personally not seen nor heard of any such proposal. As manager of a bank I would never make such a proposal." The witness also said he had never during his time of managership seen such a financial crisis as the present.

A petition has been filed by the accused that Mr. Hutcheson's evidence be disallowed.

SITUATION IN THE PUNJAB.

THE LIEUT.-GOVERNOR SPEAKS HIS MIND.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

LAHORE, Dec. 16.

Replying to the address of the Punjab Hindu Sabha, Sir Michael O'Dwyer said, with reference to the anxiety expressed by the Sabha that Government should do something to relieve the financial crisis, "The root of the evil is the unreasoning panic which was driving people to withdraw their deposits from even sound and safe institutions and thus precipitate the crisis."

His Honour, continuing, urged on the Hindu Sabha to use their influence to stop this suicidal run and to restore public confidence.

"Government can only act indirectly by placing larger balances with Presidency Banks to help the local banks run on sound lines," he said.

Referring to the

Female police are demanded for Glasgow by the National Vigilance Associa-

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QUEEN'S EXPERIENCE ON VISIT TO COTTAGERS.

MEMORIAL TO LADY CURZON.

SUCCESSOR TO THE TEDDY BEAR.

A PRETTY WEDDING.

LONDON, Nov. 28

The very interesting gathering at Windsor Castle in honour of the visit of His Imperial Highness the Archduke Franz-Ferdinand, the heir to the Austrian Throne, and that of his consort, the Duchess of Hohenberg, is a thing of the past. The week has been full of other interests both for their Majesties the King and Queen and for their distinguished visitors. A week ago to-day the Archduke and the Duchess bade farewell to Windsor. That left their Majesties free to entertain over the week-end some other distinguished guests, including the Grand Duchess Marie Pauloona of Russia and the Grand Duke Boris of Russia, attended by Prince Tatiana Gagarine and Monsieur A. S. de Etter. On Monday the King and Queen journeyed to Lambton Castle, County Durham, where for a week they have been the guests of the Earl of Durham and his sister, Lady Anna Lambton. Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday were devoted to sport by the King and the male members of the party. On Wednesday the Queen, with charming graciousness and without ceremony visited the Aged Miners' Homes at Durham Moor, Middleston Moor and Pineliffe. The interest taken by their Majesties at all times in the homes and conditions of the working-classes is a notable and gratifying feature of a happy and popular sovereignty. The chief reason for the tour was Her Majesty's wish to visit the homes provided for aged miners in Durham by the joint efforts of the men themselves and private subscriptions. The official welcome to the homes was given by a Mrs. Price, nearly 80 years of age, who, in a clear voice, as the Queen alighted from her motor-car, said, "Welcome, my beloved Queen, to Middlestone Homes." Whilst in one house Her Majesty had presented to her Isaac Bewlay, aged seventy-five who had the longest record of work of any inmate, having begun at the age of eight and continued underground for sixty years. Her last visit was to Mr. Bewlay's house. After a chat with Mrs. Bewlay, Her Majesty tried to leave by the back door, which had, however, been locked. "Oh!" said Mrs. Bewlay, "you must not go out there. We cannot have the Queen leaving by the back way." While the Queen was in the homes a great crowd assembled.

To-day (Friday) the Queen, and possibly the King, will pay a flying visit to Lord and Lady Ravensworth Castle, another historic mansion in Team Valley. This is, in truth, one of the "Stately homes of England," where flourish the cedars of Lebanon and giant oaks. On its fine lawn is a mighty oak 20 feet in girth and a stone cross of great antiquity. The house too is full of rare art treasures, for the first Earl of Ravensworth was a celebrated scholar (still remembered by his Translation of Horace) and an art connoisseur. To-morrow their Majesties will return to their home at Sandringham.

ROYALTY AT DINNER.

Court etiquette involves quite a host of written and unwritten codes. Experienced courtiers alone may be said to be familiar with them all. But when the King and Queen go visiting to country places, considerable public curiosity is shown to the manner in which dinner is announced and what precisely happens at that rather critical function. Like most other ceremonies connected with our Royal Family, the rule here is based upon the idea of giving the least trouble and causing the minimum of anxiety. When the dinner hour approaches a gentleman-in-waiting announces to the host and hostess that the King and Queen will be ready in a few minutes. The host then repairs to the door of the Royal suite of apartments, where he awaits their Majesties to conduct them downstairs to the drawing-room. All the guests are expected to be assembled by the time the Royal visitors enter the room, and as both the King and Queen are remarkably punctual, it is occasionally something of a difficulty for those to be ready who have lingred over a ternoon Bridge. Immediately after the Royal guests have entered the drawing room a move is made towards the dining-room, so that for the exalted visitors, at any rate, there is not that tedious wait before dinner is announced with which other people are so familiar.

ARCHDUKE'S ADVENTURE.

The Archduke Franz-Ferdinand is not only enjoying his visit to England but he is meeting with novel adventures. Fancy the heir to the Dual Monarchy, one of the Great Powers of the world, being held up by a Hyde Park policeman! Yet such is the case. It came about in this way. Their Imperial Highnesses returned to the Ritz Hotel from Windsor Castle last Friday evening. The Archduke is very fond of shopping, so early on Saturday morning, accompanied by two of his suite he went to a curio dealer's place in Brompton-road. So far so good, but His Highness had arranged overnight to attend service at the Jesuit Church in Farm street, Berkeley-square—for he is a devout Catholic—and his shopping left him rather late for the service. He jumped into a taxi-cab and told the chauffeur to drive as fast as he could. As the taxi was careering through Hyde Park a policeman promptly held it up for exceeding the speed limit of 12 miles per hour. Nor would he release the "fare"—Archduke or no Archduke—until a police-inspector was summoned. Both the Archduke and the inspector enjoyed the situation—in different ways of course—but the former was very nearly being late for the service. Still, the incident has added to the wonderful prestige enjoyed by the London policeman.

"WINNINGS'" ALMSHOUSES.

Shortly after his taxi adventure the Archduke and the Duchess, accompanied by members of their suite, took train for Worksop on a visit to the Duke and Duchess of Portland at Welbeck Abbey. There is more than mere Court friendship between these two great families. The Archduke was so pleased with Welbeck and the Portland hospitality on a previous visit that he was looking forward to his present experience. The house-party included Count Albert Mensorff, the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, the Duke and Duchess of Roxburghe, Lord and Lady Salisbury, and Lady Mary Cecil, Lord Roberts, Lord Curzon of Kedleston, Mr. Arthur Balfour, Lord and Lady George Hamilton, Lord Edward Grosvenor, and his sister Lady Helen Grosvenor, Lord Hugh Cecil, Countess Clary, Mr. Harry Stoner, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mildmay, Mr. Heath, and Miss Ivy Gordon-Lennox. When he was at Welbeck less than two years ago the Archduke was most interested in the trophies and mementoes of his host's career on the Turf, especially the "Winnings" almshouses erected by the Duke out of his racing gains. It appears that the Duchess of Portland possesses quite a little "stud" of diamond horses, in the form of brooches presented to her by the Duke each time his racing stable registered a success. These tokens at last became so numerous that the Duchess suggested that the gift should take some other form, as her jewel case was overflowing with miniature diamond steeds, hence the "winnings" almshouses.

GLORIES OF A DUCAL PALACE.

Nottinghamshire is a very beautiful county and nowhere more beautiful than in that little corner where Worksop lies. Quite a number of famous houses cluster here, and Sherwood Forest, the once leafy home, according to song and story, of Robin Hood and his merrymen is not a great way off; but the glory of the whole place is Welbeck Abbey which, in many respects, is the most unique, though not the most time-honoured or most steeped in romance, of all our Ducal Palaces. Welbeck is a vast storehouse of art treasures. In one respect, at least, it is a kind of Tower of London in the country. It holds the manuscript account of the regalia and jewels of Henry VIII., a superb historical record. Then there are Old Masters galore in the galleries, and over one of the buildings are some clocks which rival that wonderful clock—a horological marvel—at Hampton Court. In the park, which contains herds of deer of different kinds, are some very ancient trees, including one called the "Seven Sisters," which originally had seven stems springing from one root. There is also a peach wall some thousand feet long and a fruit arcade larger in extent. The largest beech tree in England is said to be in this park. The present Duke is most solicitous about the trees in his park, and hereby hangs a little story. Some time ago a small portion of the park adjoining Worksop Manor was sold for reasons which I forget. But the purchaser, or some one connected with him, marked out a beautiful belt of trees, which were on a narrow strip of this land, for slaughter. It was reckoned to be first rate timber. But the idea of those trees being cut down so incensed the Duke that he bought back the strip of land on which were the trees at a higher figure than he had received for the whole piece of land.

THE LATE LADY CURZON.

Queen Alexandra, who on Saturday last opened the Hostel for Women, which has been erected at King's Cross as a memorial to Lady Curzon of Kedleston, one of the most popular wives of Viceroys India has ever had, was greatly interested in the building. In one of the "mothers' rooms" she saw a woman and child looking out of the window, and taking a hand of each, inquired, "Why are you looking out into the street? Do you expect to see the Queen?" The woman at once recognised Her Majesty and was evidently pleased at being noticed, but was too confused to make any answer.

Lord Curzon, in his speech, pointed out that it was the Duchess of Marlborough who suggested that the memorial should take the form of a hostel for women, somewhat on the lines of the Rowton Houses. The hostel would accommodate 55 women, and there were "mothers' rooms," which could be used for children as well as women. The inmates were asked to pay 6d. a night or 2s. 6d. a week. There was a kitchen where women could cook their own food or be supplied with food cooked by the staff. A good cup of soup could be obtained for 1d., a hearty breakfast for 2d., and a dinner, which should satisfy any one, for 4d. There was also a private athroom, where clean towels and soap could be had for 1d. The hostel was intended for the respectable poor, and for any poor soul who had got adrift and could be saved from a sadder fate. Every cubicle was full, and it was hoped to make the place self-supporting.

SENGHENYDD COLLIERY FUND.

The Lord Mayor of London, on Saturday, received from the Comptroller of the Lord Chamberlain's Department a cheque for £775 in aid of the Senghenydd Colliery Fund, being the final instalment of the amount derived from the exhibition of the wedding presents of the Prince and Princess Arthur of Connaught. The total supplied by this means was £2,975.

INTERESTING WEDDING.

A wedding, which attracted a great deal of interest yesterday, was that of Miss Dorothy Boot, daughter of Sir Jesse and Lady Boot, and Commander Wilfrid Bruce, R. H. R., brother of Lady Scott and Second-in-Command of the "Terra Nova." The ceremony took place at St. Anne's, Soho, the Rev. Dr. Bruce and the Rev. Henry Bruce (brother of the bridegroom) officiating. A guard of honour was provided by men selected from the Royal Naval Reserves, and on leaving the Church the bride and bridegroom passed beneath the crossed cutlasses of a double file of R. N. R. men. Sir Jesse Boot, although present with Lady Boot, was not well enough to lead his daughter to the altar, and she was given away by her brother, Mr. John Boot. The bride's dress was of white charmeuse, very gracefully draped, the tunic being of Irish lace, caught with pearl embroideries. Rich white and gold movie satin formed the train, and her tulle veil was fastened with a narrow wreath of gold leaves. Master Keith Pyman, in white duck man-o'-war suit, carried the train, and there were two bridesmaids, Miss Mayorie Boot (sister of the bride), and Miss Joyce Wyman. Both being very pretty girls, they looked charming in their brocaded ninon dresses. Snow-white marabout edged their net over-dresses, and they carried granny muffs of sation and marabout, and wore wreaths of gold leaves to match the bows of gold tissue which fastened their dresses at the back. After the ceremony all the guests went to the Langham Hotel, where a reception was held by Lady Boot.

STATUE OF KRISHNASWAMY AYER

Those who have the entree to Mr. Derwent Wood's studio in Chelsea say that the statue of Mr. Krishnaswamy Ayer has now been completed, and both Sir Arthur Lawley, a former Governor of Madras, and Mr. A. E. Lawson, editor of the *Madras Mail*, have inspected it, and pronounced it to be a great success. The statue is rather more than life-size, and represents the late Member of Council in his ordinary attire. It is interesting to know that absolute accuracy has been insured by obtaining the drapery from India and having it arranged by Indian experts. Mr. Derwent Wood's ingenuity may be guessed when it is learnt that he has had to work from a single photograph; but he has secured a capital likeness, and as a work of art the statue is admirable. It will be shipped to Madras in a few weeks.

THE ARABIAN NIGHTS BALL.

Mrs. Carl L. Leyel, The Ferry House, Twickenham, who is one of the organisers of the Arabian Nights Ball, which is to be held at the Royal Opera House, Convent Gardens, on Dec. 11, writes to me as follows:—"It is the cosmopolitan element in the Arabian Nights Ball that makes it one of the most attractive balls of the year. It is given under the patronage of the Foreign Ambassadors and by and for the Foreign Press Association. On the Committee, in addition to such names as the Duke and Duchess of Hamilton, the Earl of Denbigh, the Earl and Countess of Lytton, Lord and Lady Northcliffe and the Hon. Mrs. George Napier, are others equally well-known in their own countries and representatives from nearly all the Embassies. There has always been a note of gaiety about this ball and the gorgeousness of the eastern colouring adds to this result. 'An Eastern Dream' will be given at midnight and is an entirely original idea and should be most beautiful. This is the story:—(The Caliph, after playing with his jewels, falls asleep. He dreams of a wonderful pearl. On awakening, he finds he has nothing like it in his jewel casket and calls for all the precious stones on earth. None satisfy him, until at last in a closed oyster shell he finds the coveted pearl. Miss Nancy Denvers, who made such a success as the dancer in 'Kismet', and who also danced at the first Arabian Nights Ball, will be the dream pearl.)"

BILLY OWLETT.

The teddy bear had a long reign. Even now there lingers a devotion to him in some households, though, as a real potentate, he has been superseded by Billiken and a number of minor autocrats. They have prevailed for a season or two, and are now no more. The latest aspirant to the vacant throne is Billy Owlett, a wise-looking bird attired in a striking costume consisting of red waistcoat, blue coat, white trousers and a green tie. Billy owes his creation to Mrs. L. M. Sanderson of Wimborne, who has been fortunate in obtaining Royal patronage for the new production. Queen Mary's Private Secretary writes to her thus:—"If you will be so good as to send the one hundred 'Billy Owlette' addressed to me at Buckingham Palace, the Queen will be glad to send them to the various hospitals in which Her Majesty takes a personal interest."

A House Frock.

A house frock of absinthe green taffetael with a fichu of flowered crepe in shades of orange, blue, and dull red, and finished with two black silk tassells. The sash is of soft black satin. Drawn for the "Bombay Gazette" by Miss Margaret Morton.

TRAPPED IN A TEMPLE.

ENGLISHWOMAN'S ORDEALS IN MONGOLIA.

CURIOUS ENCOUNTERS ON A LONELY TOUR.

Mrs. Bulstrode, the well-known traveller and writer is just back in England from a long stay in China, during which she made many interesting journeys off the beaten track.

One of these journeys was a trip into Mongoli, undertaken in April and May of this year. This took her into parts rarely, if ever, seen by a white woman.

Mrs. Bulstrode is the widow of Dr. H. T. Bulstrode, a distinguished member of the medical profession, who did valuable work for the Local Government Board in connection with tuberculosis and sanatoria. She has travelled extensively in Europe and Canada, and has just completed a journey lasting over two years in China and Mongolia. "Loafing in strange countries" she describes as one of her recreations. She is also interested in ski-running and riding, and was one of the pioneers of cycling for women. She describes her experiences in Mongolia in *Lloyd's Weekly News*, from which we quote:—

I was in Pekin at the time when a little expedition off the beaten track seemed to promise a refreshing contrast to the gay social life I had been enjoying all the winter. But on making inquiry I met with rebuffs at every hand. "All right then," I thought; "I won't make any definite plans but I will go up to Kalgan (the Chinese frontier town on the Mongolian border) and 'look-see,' as the Chinese say for myself." So packing a few very serviceable clothes, a strong cross-seat riding kit being the principal items, I sallied forth, having made arrangements to stay for a few days at the only mission house in Kalgan.

TOMBS OF KINGS.

The journey thither from Pekin is a very interesting one, and I decided to break it halfway in order to make an expedition to the tombs of the emperors of the Ming dynasty.

To the chief of these I rode, followed by the pock-marked Chinaman in charge of the ponies, and, demanding admittance, offered the customary fee of twenty cents. Seeing that I was alone the doorkeeper, an unusually tall Chinese began a bullying argument for more money. We compromised finally on something like three times the proper sum and he let me into the courtyard.

I desired to explore further, but was met at the entrance to the great temple by the same burly janitor, who rather threateningly barred my way, and demanded more money. Seeing that I did not mean to give it he began to lock up the great doors which usually stood open, when I suddenly pushed past him and was in the temple. He was very angry and swore at me volubly, casting aspersions upon my ancestry in true Celestial style. Quite unexpectedly, however, he stopped, and before I could say "Jack Robinson" he had slammed the door to and turned the key in the lock. I made desperate effort to escape, but too late. I was in pitch darkness, and when, or whether, he intended to let me out. I did not know. I was far too angry to be in the least frightened, and of all things I had no intention of letting the ruffian think he had in any way scored.

I groped my way about among the dusty gods and devils, thinking perhaps that there might be some other exit, and came upon a narrow staircase at the back of the high altar. Up this I stumbled, finally finding my way out on to the open flat roof of the first storey of the temple.

TWO CHOICES.

For an hour or more I wandered about my prison, spending part of the time in speculating as to whether my gymnastic experiences would enable me with the help of friendly branches to scale fifty feet or more of rough wall and thus escape. I decided, however, that to risk a broken limb was not worth while, and that to spend a night in a temple after all would not kill me.

But when the afternoon was drawing in I observed three figures walking along the trees in the courtyard below evidently in angry altercation. These were my pony boy, the burly ruffian (who was gesticulating wildly), and a well-dressed, dignified Chinese gentleman. Without losing a moment I scrambled hastily down the dark staircase again, arriving in the temple as a flood of light was admitted by the doors being flung open.

To my astonishment my unknown friend in need addressed me in pidgin English "Mississee mafu (groom) say me one bad man shut up Mississee. Chlist (I am afraid he believed this to be quite a polite expression of amazement) Chlist! what bad man!" I entirely agreed with him, and in order to show him what my opinion was of his behaviour I gave the "bad man" a sounding smack on the head as he released me.

THUMBNAIL AS CARVING KNIFE.

Starting very early next morning I continued my journey to Kalgan, the line—the only one in China financed and constructed by the Chinese—tunnelling under the Great Wall, which, built some 150 years B.C., extends for 1,500 miles along the Chinese frontier, and is rightly described as one of the Wonders of the World. It was in the train here that I really appreciated the practical use of the two-inch thumb-nail that one so often sees adorning the hands of the upper class Chinese. A cheery gentleman attired in a handsome but unostentatious long coat of lavender silk damask commanded my admiration by the dexterity with which he cut up and ate a roast duck: his thumb-nail alone serving him as carver. He was hungry, and he finished the bird at a sitting.

Finally, after kicking my heels for a week in this terribly dusty but extremely interesting, frontier town I managed to hire a Pekin cart, which, innocent of springs, has a floor space of about three feet by two, and is provided with a blue linen hood like a miniature van. A couple of Chinese were engaged to attend to the mule and pony, which were harnessed tandam-wise to the cart and in addition to these I had a game little pony to ride. Such was my modest little caravan.

On the tail of my cart I took the smallest possible amount of luggage, as well as stores to keep me going for a month or more, and these included tinned meat and a plentiful supply of walnuts, peanuts, and raisins.

The first night on the road was something of an experience to me, for whereas in South China I had always secured a certain modicum of privacy, though often in a mere shed or lean-to, here I found myself faced with two alternatives, of sharing a large but warm room with half a dozen or more Chinese to say nothing of the Finnish missionary, or of sleeping out of doors in my little cart among the camels, oxen, pigs dogs and ponies in the compound. Since, stretched out, two-thirds of me would have been exposed to the elements, when, at an altitude of 3,000 ft, snow on the ground, and a sharp breeze blowing, no amount of covering would have kept me really warm, I was not long in making up my mind that the inn would be infinitely preferable.

My hotel bills along this route were not exorbitant. I think thirty copper cents was the biggest amount I ever paid for a night's lodging, and this included boiling water for my tea as well as a generous tip to the fire-tender. That sum equals 6d. in our money.

PLAYING THE GAME.

At one inn on the journey the proprietor offered to turn his other guests, thirty Chinese and Mongols, out into the horse shelters so that the august traveller should have the kangue to herself. Of course, I would not hear of this, it would have been a dreadfully unsporting thing to do. The Finn confided to me afterwards that if I always played the game like that I need never have any fear of the Mongols.

The first two days out from Kalgan, going in a north-westerly direction, are a continuous climb, after which one may ride for days on end over flat or undulating prairie, seeing neither village nor tents. We arrived after four days' hard travelling at what when I was there (probably now destroyed after the missionaries were ordered to leave) was a very small mission station, consisting merely of a long, one-storeyed mud shanty, inhabitad by half-a-dozen men and women with their children, whose task is, I fear, just about as uphill as any they could have devised for themselves. Missions in China are without question going ahead splendidly at the present time, but Buddhism, or indeed, any other form of belief, has nothing like so strong a hold over the Chinese as it has over the Mongols, where in every household at least one boy is dedicated from birth to the priesthood, and where lamas form four-fifths of the total male population, and where the most amazing superstitions absolutely rule the lives of the people. These plucky missionaries live on quite friendly terms with their Mongol neighbours, but this is about as far as they get.

UNDER CANVAS IN A GALE.

Near to this comfortless compound, so completely out off from all that makes life worth living, I pitched my little camp, and for the first time experienced the diversions of being under canvas in what was practically winter, and during a gale. The dust was dense and all my belongings blew around in it like so many giddy goats. The sides and openings of the tent flapped about with extraordinary vigour, and did their utmost to smash everything within reach. Any sort of light was out of the question. Chaos reigned for something like four hours, and it was intensely cold.

Life, however, is full of contrasts, and I quickly forgot all about my troubles when a missionary came along and told me that the Mongols, hearing that I had a gun, wanted to arrange a wolf hunt. A certain she-wolf, who had recently done considerable damage among the flocks and herds was suspected of maintaining a litter of cubs in her lair on the distant hillside.

The expedition was not wholly unsuccessful, for, while owing to the fact that our weapons consisted of a gun and three revolvers and lacked the necessary rifle, the old wolf loped off with a peppering of shot only, we spent a day and a half digging out a perfect warren of lairs covering over half an acre of hillside, finally coming upon the rest, where there were five fluffy little cubs whom it went to my heart to destroy. But the Mongols saw in them potentialities for evil only, and had no sympathy at all with my suggestion that I would like to take a couple home with me.

A PRAIRIE FIRE.

In trying to smoke out the wolves from their holes, the Mongols accidentally started a prairie fire, which ran rapidly over miles of the dried-up grass. It was a wonderful sight. Numbers of eagles hovered over the burning expanse, swooping down on any ground game that might run.

Not far from my camp was the home of the old Mongol who had travelled up with me, and an invitation to visit his yourts was warmly pressed on me. The chief yourt (or tent), at the door of which a hearty welcome was given me by his chief wife, was a big one, measuring some eigtheen feet in diameter—a latticed fromework of wood, covered with thick white felt unusually clean and well furnished. Red lacquer chests containing clothes, etc., lined the sides of the yourt, and facing the entrance a little altar, with a Buddha in a shrine, and various other objects of worship were arranged. In front of of this was a raised seat some six inches from the ground, on which I, as the honoured guest, was invited to squat. The ground was covered with beautiful rugs, mainly skins and of white felt, with an Oriental bordering.

A number of relations crowded in to gaze at the foreigner—a motley crew indeed, in blue, purple, and green satin coats, and among them the gaudy orange and scarlet of the lama's habit—all more or less dirty and some very ragged. The men, with shaggy fur caps and silver-mounted hunting knives, ivory chop-sticks in cases, and flint and tinder purses slung on silver chains round their waists, the women with elaborate head-dresses of the same metal, richly studded with jade, coral and pearls, are all really very imposing.

Nothing would satisfy them but that I should go to call on the little bride of the family, and their son, her boy husband. The older women's strings of corals and pearls grow shorter as their daughters marry off, and this sixteen year-old maiden had evidently been most liberally dowered, for back and front her ornaments reached almost to the ground, and were certainly worth at least £20 even in Mongolia.

THE DIRT OF AGES.

The grandfather, an extraordinary old bird, paid me a visit one day in my tent. I had been hearing a great deal about their superstitions regarding devils, and when this old wrinkled leather-face, shadowed by a sheepskin cap black with the dirt of ages silently approached me, I really thought for a moment that the evil one had materialised.

To touch on the many expeditions I made from this centre would take too long, but among the most interesting was a visit to a great lamasery (monastery) at Hankaraway where several thousand boys and men are being trained in the doctrines of Buddha, and another to a Mongol settlement where droves of ponies, splendid cattle, and flocks of black-faced, fat-tailed sheep, covered the hillsides; and yet another to the yourts of a Mongol mandarin, whose young lama sons sang for me in the twilight in a gentle minor key to the twanging of a prehistoric instrument of many strings.

I was very loth to turn my face south again. We journeyed back by a different route, and passed from time to time wounded soldiers being carried down to Kalgan, and later on, cart after cart drawn by oxen and filled with the caps and knapsacks of the poor Chinese who had fallen victim to Mongol markmanship at the battle of Dolonor some sixty miles away. I think the wounded must have wished they had been killed outright.

LadyDarling, of 18, Prince's-gardens, S. W., and of Lady Cross-Lodges Brockenhurst, who died intestate on, Nov. 5, wife of Mr. Justice Darling and daughter of the late Major-General Wilberforce Harris Greathed, C. B., left estate valued at £3,282 gross, and administration thereof has been granted to her husband.

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FREEDOM DANGERS.

DOCTOR'S WARNING TO GIRLS.

Dr. R. Murray Leslie addressed an audience of women on "Strains in Woman's Life: their Effect on her Health" at the Institute of Hygiene, London, in mail week.

Dr. Leslie, at the outset of his lecture, emphasised the importance of every girl and every woman acquiring an accurate knowledge of the elementary laws of physiology. From fifteen to eighteen a girl should live an open air life, in healthy home and school surroundings. Reading sensational novels, attending exciting entertainments, keeping late hours, and going to too many parties and dances were harmful, while "the present educational methods of cram and competition cause widespread disaster."

It was an injustice to women and to the race to ask them to compete with man on purely physical and intellectual planes. "The modern cry for freedom and emancipation has its dangerous side," but when she reaches the age of twenty or twenty one a girl may "chose a career and throw herself into it with energy without doing definite harm."

The acquirement of knowledge "should be slow and gradual; the diet be plentiful, simple, and non-stimulating; alcohol absolutely taboo. A good cook is of more importance in a school than a Mathematical Wrangler or a Senior Classic. No tight clothing and no boned corsets under the age of eighteen."

Mortality, Dr. Leslie said, is distinctly higher among single women than among the married. Early maternity is not good. The best age for a woman to become a mother for the first time is between twenty-four and twenty-eight.

The modern life of rush and society is largely responsible for the frequency of nervous breakdowns. A large proportion of cases of neurasthenia occur among women between thirty-five and forty-five.

Women between the ages of forty-five and fifty were advised to avoid overwork, excitement and worry, to take daily exercise, and to avoid alcohol and sweet and indigestible foods.

VALUABLE FIND.

OLD MALINESS LACE IN DUSTBIN

A packet of very valuable old Malines lace was redeemed from total loss in Paris recently under curious circumstances.

It is the practice in Paris to put out overnight, dustbin containing all the rubbish collected in the house during the day. Before these dustbins are emptied by the motor-carts which come round for that purpose, they are thoroughly ransacked by rag-pickers, who make a precarious living by selling the bottles and tins they find in them.

One morning the managerees of a well-known woman's tailoring house of the Avenue de l'Opera was visited by one of these unsavoury individuals, and with some indignation she inquired his business.

"I found these in your dust-bin last night, Madame," replied the rag picker. "I should not throw them away if I were you. They are valuable."

The astonished managerees found that the packet he held out was a bundle of short pieces of Malines lace which had been taken off the dress of a wealthy client, and which an ignorant apprentice had thrown away as being of no value. Their real worth is at least several hundreds of pounds.

END OF THE GREAT PEARL TRIAL.

PROBLEM OF THE £10,000 REWARD.

JUDGE ON BRAINS AND BABBLERS.

CLEVER POLICE WORK.

"Finis" was written in mail week to the last chapter in the romantic adventures of Mr. Max Mayer's pearl necklace, valued at £135,000, which was stolen in the course of transmission by post from Paris to London.

After having been abstracted from a sealed postal packet, lumps of sugar being substituted for it; after having been tossed in a matchbox across the table of a London tea shop, after having been dropped into the gutter in a North London suburb, the treasured jewels are now safe again under lock and key in the custody of Mr. Max Mayer's bankers.

The four men convicted yesterday at the Old Bailey of stealing them have been condemned to the following terms of imprisonment:—

James Lockett (fifty-one), jeweller, seven years' penal servitude.

Joseph Grizzard (forty-six) diamond merchant; seven years' penal servitude.

Simon Silverman (forty-one) commission agent; five years' penal servitude and afterwards deportation.

Leisir Gutwirth (thirty-one), broker; eighteen months' hard labour and afterwards deportation.

PATHETIC APPLICATION.

A woman sitting at the back of the court uttered a shriek as Mr. Justice Lawrence passed sentence on Lockett, but otherwise this dramatic case came to an end without incident. One pathetic note was the application of Silverman that he might see his old mother before he vanished into penal servitude. "She is an old woman," he faltered. She may die at any minute." Mr. Justice Lawrence, leaning back in his chair, considered a moment, and then granted the application.

A sinister aspect of the trial was the sending of a threatening letter to a juror. The judge, who referred to it at the close of the case, said the letter appeared to come from some friend of the prisoners, and his Lordship warned the unknown one that if any steps were taken to fulfil the threat condign punishment would follow.

The verdict of the jury yesterday showed that they accepted the contention of the prosecution that the necklace was stolen while in possession of his Majesty's Post Office—a question which the defence had made one of the issues of the trial. The prisoners were found guilty only on the first and second counts of the indictment, charging them with stealing and receiving the necklace while in the post in the United Kingdom. On the four other counts, including those which indicted them for receiving a necklace stolen from the French Post Office, a verdict of Not Guilty was returned.

£10,000 REWARD CLAIMANT.

General interest attaches now to the payment of the reward of £10,000 offered by Lloyd's underwriters for the recovery of the pearls. The announcement offering the reward stated that it would be paid to "such person who should give the first information which shall lead to the conviction of the thief or thieves and the recovery of the stolen property." Mr. Price of Messrs. Price and Gibbs, who offered the reward on behalf of Lloyd's underwriters, stated yesterday that the claims of a number of applicants for participation in the reward had to be considered, and that no decision had yet been come to. The evidence has shown that Mr. Brandstatter, a Paris diamond broker, first got into communication with the prisoners by posing as a possible purchaser for a wealthy client, and in the negotiations he had with them he was assisted by Mr. Quadranstein, his cousin. They have both stated that they intend to press for the reward. At the same time, the necklace was actually recovered by a North London pianoforte factory employe, Augustus Horne, who picked it up in the street in Highbury.

CLEVER DETECTIVE FRAT.

The investigation of the pearl necklace mystery is one of the most remarkable and clever examples of detective work on record. It stamps Chief-Inspector Ward, of Scotland Yard, as being in the forefront of criminal investigators.

The robbery was discovered on the morning of July 16, and all that the police had to guide them in their inquiries were three pieces of French sugar and a torn scrap of a Paris newspaper found in the registered packet which should have contained the necklace. Chief-Inspector Ward, the senior officer of that rank at Scotland Yard, took up the case and a record reward of £10,000 was offered for information leading to the recovery of the necklace and the conviction of the thieves.

Weeks passed before definite information came to Inspector Ward and those associated with him in the inquiry—Mr. Price, of Messrs. Price and Gibbs, assessors to Lloyd's underwriters, and Mr. Alfred Leach, the private inquiry agent of the assessors—but it was amply proved that the thieves had by mistake brought off a coup far beyond their expectations. They doubtless hoped to secure a consignment of precious stones which the skill of a lapidary would sufficiently disguise for almost open sale. Instead, they had obtained possession of a world famous necklace, every pearl of which would provide an instant clue to their detection.

But the coup had doubtless cost the thieves a considerable sum which they were anxious to recover, so, throwing discretion to the winds and relying on "thieves' luck," they determined to sell the necklace as a whole. That decision was the first definite step towards their apprehension. It brought Messrs. Brandstatter and Quadranstein, two Paris diamond and pearl brokers on the scene.

CLOSE "SHADOWING."

These Parisians communicated with Scotland Yard and Messrs. Price and Gibbs, and it was under the direction of Chief-Inspector Ward that they entered into definite negotiations with the gang. At every meeting Inspector Ward and his officers were within hail, and it is safe to say that from the first moment the suspects' identity was known not one of them was out of sight of a police officer.

All could have been arrested at the first meeting, but Inspector Ward determined to have every link in the chain of proof complete before taking action.

Doubtless to the disappointment of the police, the pearls were not found in the possession of the prisoners. The arrest of a fifth man—Dan McCarthy—failed to discover the jewels. McCarthy was discharged at Bow Street on September 15.

How the remainder of the pearls were eventually recovered, is one of the most astonishing features of the case. They were picked up at a spot were a moment before Horne the finder had seen a man and woman standing. Who that man and woman were has never been established, although the police made every endeavour to find them. That fact, however, does not detract from the brilliant achievement of Chief Inspector Ward and his subordinates.

That other people besides those convicted were concerned in the robbery is admitted, but undoubtedly a daring gang of jewel thieves, one which is thought to have been in operation for years, has been broken up.

JUDGE'S VIEW OF LOCKETT.

Mr. Justice Lawrence, in summing up, said counsel for the defence had not addressed the jury on the facts of the case. They had treated them as if they were absolutely ignorant of the fundamental principle of criminal law—the doctrine of the recent possession of the stolen goods. It is not a matter of law, it is a matter of sense. Counsel had left all the evidence of the prosecution untouched and unchallenged and only set to work to try to dissect the place at which the larceny occurred. The moral guilt of receiving goods was the same, whether they were stolen in France or in England and the loss to the owner was the same.

A great attack had been made on Mr. Muir in that case, said his Lordship, in not calling the witness Loader, who said he saw an irregular line of seals on the package while it was on the Dover to London train. The prosecution was not bound to call a man who, though they did not think he was intending to lie, they thought had made a mistake. As to not calling Neville and Hollands, the attack was not only unfounded, it was also impertinent.

There was no ground whatever for charging improper conduct to the counsel for the prosecution, who had done that which it was his duty to do. He had conducted the case with perfect fairness, and he (the judge) had not seen a single attempt on his part unduly to force any matter on them. His lordship commented on the open examination of the pearls in a teashop as a "clever ruse," recalling that Edgar Allan Poe had advised if you wish to escape detection do things openly.

Chief Inspector Ward, after the jury had given their verdict, said that Lockett was a widower with one child. He was convicted in 1906 at Liverpool for burglary in a jeweller's shop. He had been interested in a motor business and had also been a director of a cinema show. Grizzard was an associate of criminals and had been a suspected receiver for years. He was married and had a grown-up family. He had been convicted for harbouring a man who was indicted for receiving.

Silverman, said the Inspector, was an Austrian subject and a single man. He came to England when he was very young and had travelled all over the world. At Bow Street he was identified as one of the persons seen in an office in which a safe was blown up some time in January last. Gutwirth was also an Austrian subject and had a wife and family. He came to England about twenty five years ago and was employed in the fur trade and latterly in the jewellery trade. He was an associate of criminals. Up to quite recently he had lived an honest life.

THE LEADING MIND.

The judge in sentencing Lockett said no doubt he was the leading mind in the crime. He had attacked one of the most important branches in the public service and done so in a peculiarly bold and skilful manner and directed his attack on property of exceptional value. Grizzard seemed to have shared with Lockett the leadership and the headwork of this crime. He was sorry to hear that Grizzard was ill (Chief Inspector Ward said that Grizzard was suffering from diabetes), but he had no doubt that he would be looked after under the sentence that he was going to pass just as if he was in his own home.

With regard to Silverman, his Lordship said perhaps he had done him an injustice in saying that the others were the brains of the party, but it did seem to him that to some extent he was the ingenious tool rather than the originator of the scheme.

The Judge described Gutwirth as the babbler of the party.

Gutwirth: I was dragged into it. I have been eighteen years in Hatton Garden and always straightforward. I do not know how it was that I undertook to be a broker in the matter.

The Judge: I do not think you are quite as bad as the others, but you seem to me to have been a very willing tool.

After passing sentence, the Judge said: I have had handed to me by one of the jury a document that he has received this morning containing threats of a very significant character. I have given instructions for this matter to be investigated. This appears to be some friend of the prisoners, and I give him notice that if he takes any steps in pursuance of this threat he will meet with condign punishment.

BEER LOSING FAVOUR.

Many interesting facts are to be extracted from the mass of tables forming the sixteenth abstract of later statistics of the United Kingdom. Thus, cocoa and tea are increasing in popularity, but coffee is declining. Last year 1·7lbs. of cocoa per head were consumed, as compared with only 1lb. in 1898 and 1899, since which time there has been a steady rise; 6·5lbs. per head is the consumption of tea, compared with 5·8lbs. in 1898. Only 0·6lbs. of coffee are consumed, and three years ago the figure was 0·7lbs., and in 1901 0·8lbs. Sugar "wobbles." The consumption per head was as high as 91·4lbs. in 1901, and as low as 74·4 in 1905; it was 83·5 in 1910 92·1 in 1911, and 82·2 last year. Beer is having a bad time, and the figures, giving the consumption per head of the population, show how it is declining in favour despite its struggles: Spirits have steadily fallen from 1·1 gallons in 1899 to 0·7 gallons in 1912, but tobacco has risen from 1·8lbs. to 2·1lbs. in the same period. Meat has fluctuated, the highest being 136·2lbs. in 1901, and the lowest 125·5 in 1910; last year the consumption was 131·2lbs. The home consumption of wheat has risen tremendously—from 230·9 million bushels in 1898 to 281·8 last year.

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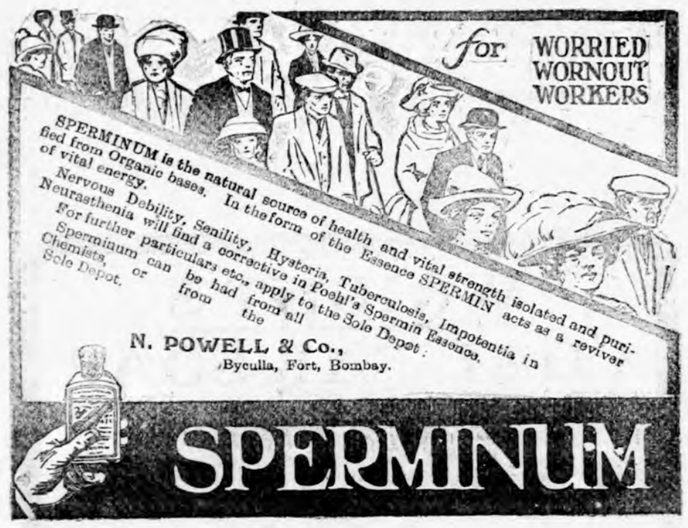
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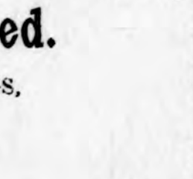

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